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BREACH WIDENING.

CANTON TO OPPOSE NANKING NOW.

NATIONALIST POLICY.

Provincial and City Kuomintang to Join.

LI CHAI-SUM'S ALLIES IN HUNAN MOVING ON FRONTIER.

Now that Nanking has begun to set up a new Nationalist regime, Canton intends to widen the breach and openly declare opposition. Resolutions of the fourth plenary session are to be disacknowledged and disdain for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's policy is likely to be expressed.

Encouraging news about the alliance between the Canton Government and the anti-Nanking armies in Hunan has been received but other messages indicate that the respective allied forces have not yet joined hands.

AGAINST CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

The Canton Government is subject to the Political Council of the Nationalist Party, the latter being the highest authority. Later, the Canton branch of the Political Council has had little in common with headquarters in Nanking. Now comes the statement that both the Kwangtung provincial and Canton city organizations of the Nationalist Party are to declare against Chiang Kai-shek. And it is interesting to note that only recently the city Kuomintang sympathized with Nanking. This change in attitude must be construed as a gain for General Li Chai-sum, the present governor of Canton.

The two branches of the Kuomintang are jointly to denounce the resolutions of the fourth plenary session at Nanking, and are likely to express opposition to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. Blames the "Reds."

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek delivered the opening speech at the fourth plenary session of the Nationalist Party, which has just concluded. According to the Kuo Min news agency, he said:—"Despite the fact that four years have elapsed since the reorganization of the Kuomintang in the 18th year of the Republic, we have not been able to carry out the Three People's Principles and the Five-Power Constitution left to the Party by the late leader. This, indeed, is a matter of regret."

"Fortunately, due to the strenuous exertions of our military comrades, we have expanded in a military way. But in the midst of our progress the intrigues and plotting of the Communist Party have well-nigh brought the Party to extermination."

Communism and the North. "However, the convention of the fourth Plenary Session to-day is the result of an awakening on the part of various comrades to re-unite themselves and solidify the party. It may be called a renaissance of the Kuomintang. Hereafter, we shall, in obedience to our late leader's wishes, continue our strife. We shall, first of all, exterminate the Communist Party and then uproot militarism. In regard to foreign countries, we shall work towards the abrogation of all unequal treaties, and, above all, our sole task should be to hasten the convention of the third National Congress of all Kuomintang delegates."

It is to be hoped that all comrades will unite together to extinguish communism and to complete the Northern Expedition in fulfillment of the mission of the People's Revolution as entrusted to us by our late leader in his Principles for National Reconstruction.

HUNAN WAR.

General Pei Chung-hsi Now in Touch?

Shanghai, Yesterday. It is understood that General Pei Chung-hsi has successfully completed operations in Hunan province, and established communication with Canton.

It is rumored that General Pei Chung-hsi may now enter southern Kiangsi for the purpose of suppressing Chang Fah-kuei (of the "Ironsides"), who at present is in the neighborhood of the Kwangtung-Kiangsi border with 10,000 men.—Reuter.

Ironsides' Leader.

Town mentioned in Chinese cables indicate that General Pei Chung-hsi is still a considerable distance from Kwangtung's frontier so that the Chinese message contradicts Reuter. However, the "Kung Sheung Yat Po" states that General Pei Chung-hsi, as an ally of Canton, has forced the Hunanese to retreat away from his line of march.

An overnight despatch says that General Chang Fah-kuei, commander-in-chief of the Ironsides, has arrived at Shanghai with one of the leaders of the extremist politicians and has taken up residence in the French Concession.

KIUKIANG REDS.

Railway Station Stormed And Set on Fire.

Following are further particulars about the Communist danger at Kiukiang, a lower Yangtze port in Kiangsi province, now held by independent Nationalists. A brief cable was published at the time.

Scores of Communists and bandits stormed the railway station at Cheng-tzu-huang-lao-men, 5 or 6 miles from Kiukiang, on the night of Feb. 1, and started looting. The station building was set on fire by the rioters and was entirely burned down. Owing to this, the train service between Kiukiang and Nanchang has been interrupted. Two policemen were killed by the bandits. The Nationalist military authorities here have despatched a company of soldiers to restore the railway service.—Toho.

NUKDEN CHAOS.

Paper Money Causes Trouble in the North.

Mukden, Feb. 2.

With the heavy decline in the value of the Peking Government's paper money, the Chinese authorities are taking more high-handed measures to prevent a further drop. Several Chinese shopkeepers were severely dealt with by the Chinese authorities to-day on charges of not accepting the notes in their transactions.

Within the Wall, several hundred shops are already closed, putting up notices on their doors stating that they are closed for adjustment of their accounts. Many merchants are said to have gone into bankruptcy.

Officials Resign. Last night, the troops stationed at Paitaiyung were about to start rioting, but this was averted by the military authorities, who gave a pledge that the soldiers would be paid in silver dollars.

At present, the city is full of wild rumours, and the citizens are panic-stricken.

All the Chinese judicial officers in Mukden have tendered their resignations to Mr. Liu, Civil Governor of Fengtien, on the ground that they cannot support themselves owing to the abnormal fall of the paper money. Other officials are tendering resignations for the same reason. Mr. Liu is at a loss, not knowing how to cope with the situation.—Toho.

PIRATES FOILED.

Good Work By British Gunboat.

H.M.S. "BEE" RESCUE.

Merchant & Two Girls Re-Captured From Pirates.

How H.M.S. "Bee" went to the assistance of pirated vessels and rescued a wealthy Chinese merchant and two girls is detailed in a wireless message to the local Naval authorities which was received this morning.

It appears that whilst the British Yangtze gunboat, H.M.S. "Bee," was cruising between Hankow and Ichang on the Upper River, signals were received from seven large junks at anchor that they had been overhauled by armed pirates who boarded from a small steam vessel, overcame the resistance of those on board, looted the junks and eventually decamped taking with them a wealthy Chinese who was aboard and two girls, intimating that their intention was to hold the three to ransom.

Victims Sent Home. The "Bee," which was then at Chenglin (near Yochow), immediately gave chase in the direction reported to have been taken by the pirates and eventually overhauled the pirates' craft, which was a small steamer. The pirates, knowing that resistance was useless, put off in boats and escaped to the shore.

The pirates had no time to take their captives with them and these were rescued by a Naval boarding party. They are being returned to their homes in the Shasi district.

Nine pirates participated in the attack on the junks.

CAVELL FILM.

FOREIGN OFFICE REPLIES TO GERMAN EMBASSY.

NO POLITICAL CENSORSHIP.

London, Yesterday. The German Embassy in London has informally and verbally made representations to the Foreign Office in regard to the Nurse Cavell film. The Foreign Office replied that there was no political censorship of films in Great Britain. Films were censorable only on moral grounds by the Films Censorship Board.

Any official or formal protest lodged with the Foreign Office will be forwarded to the Home Office.—Reuter.

SOVIET AND JAPAN.

Viscount Goto's Visit To Moscow.

All the Soviet authorities in Moscow are exerting themselves to an unusual extent to create a favourable impression on Viscount Goto, President of the Japanese Russian Committee, who is head of the Japanese delegation which is visiting Soviet Russia to study economic conditions. Viscount Goto, states a message in mail week, has been the guest of honour at festivities and receptions, and a "special evening" arranged in his honour was attended by many Soviet officials, including Lunacharsky, Soviet Commissar of Education.

In the course of a speech, Lunacharsky spoke of the many common interests of Soviet Russia and Japan, in view of which they must tighten the bonds of friendship and co-operation. Hopes of Closer Ties. Viscount Goto said he shared Lunacharsky's hopes of closer cultural and economic ties, "although the path is beset with great difficulties and much work." He complimented the "energetic Soviet statesmen who have already accomplished more than we expected." Viscount Goto referred to the plans for ricefield concessions in the Far East which are at present under discussion, credit facilities, and other measures necessary for a rapid development of Japanese-Soviet trade.

Viscount Goto and the Japanese Envoy in Moscow, Mr. Tanaka, visited Kalinin, President of the Central Executive Committee. An official announcement issued afterwards stated that "every aspect of Soviet-Japanese relations was developing satisfactorily." Viscount Goto arrived in Leningrad from Moscow.

INTENDED TO KILL.

Statement By C. C. Wu's Assailant.

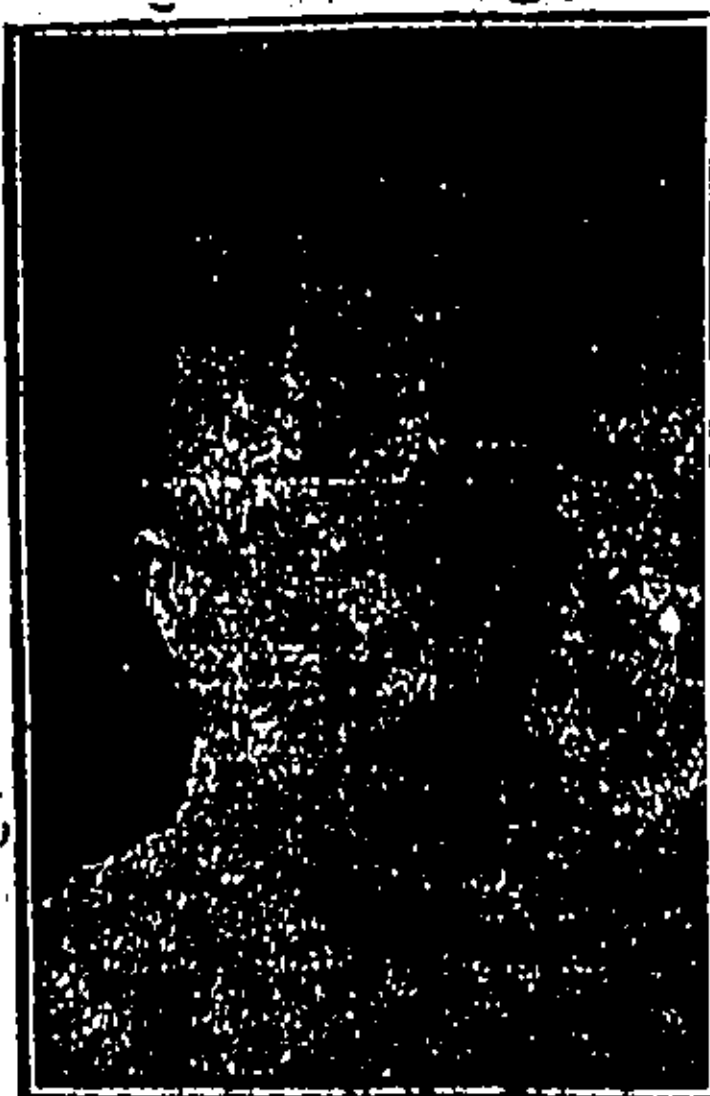
CANTONESE FROM SHANGHAI.

Clemency Asked For Communist in Singapore.

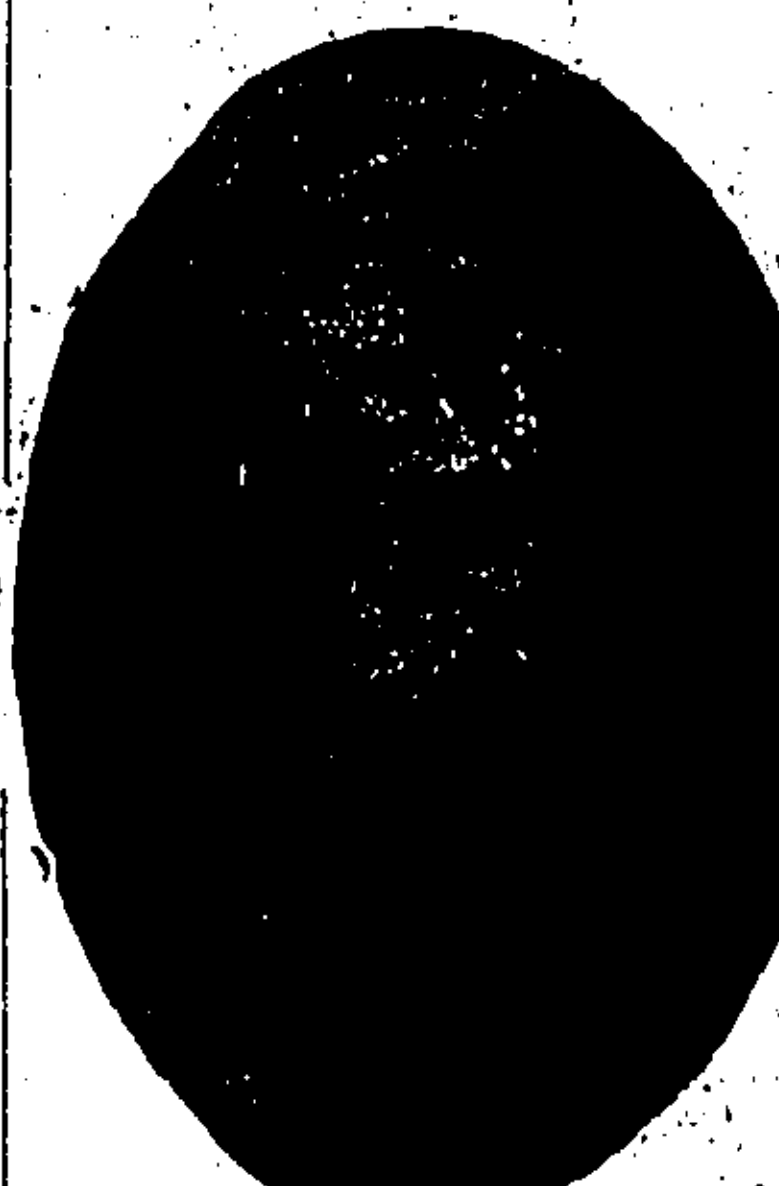
Singapore, Yesterday. Two bombs were also thrown at Dr. C. C. Wu's party but, fortunately, nobody was injured.

The assailant is alleged to be a Cantonese sent down from Shanghai by Communists.

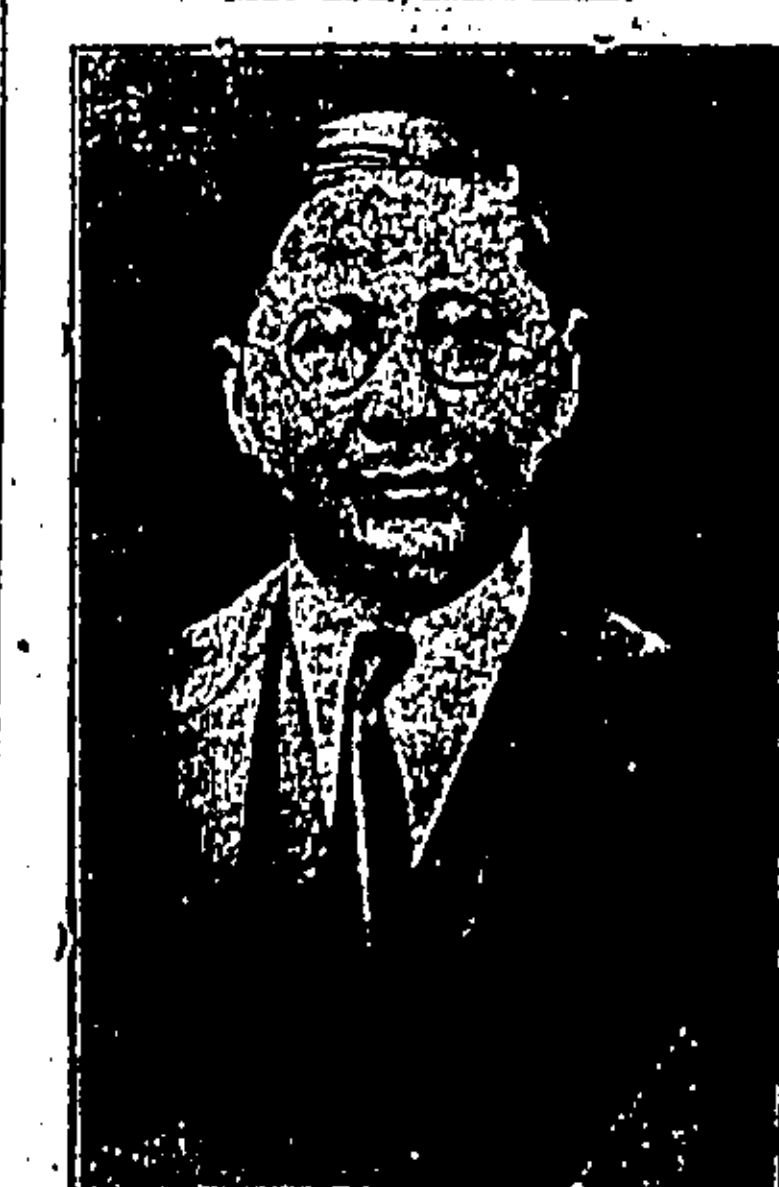
The assailant, when charged with the attempted murder of Dr. Lim Boon-keng, replied:—"That is incorrect. I did not in-



Dr. C. C. Wu.



Mr. Hu Han-min.



Mr. Sun Fo who, with his colleagues, was in danger of their lives at Singapore.

tend to kill Dr. Lim Boon-keng. I intended to kill C. C. Wu, Sun Fo and Hu Han-min." He was remanded in custody and is understood to have made a confession to the Magistrate.

Dr. C. C. Wu, Mr. Sun Fo and Mr. Hu Han-min left for Colombo this morning.

Request for Clemency. Dr. C. C. Wu, before departure, sent a letter to H.E. the Officer Administering the Government asking for clemency for the assailant.—Reuter.

The assailant fired at the party when leaving the Chamber of (Continued at foot of next Column.)

OVERCAST!

Moderate Monsoon Along Coast.

The anti-cyclone has weakened and is now central over south-west Japan. Moderate monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the China Sea.

Forecast.—East winds; moderate, overcast.

TOURISTS HERE.

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INTERESTING PASSENGERS.

Cinema Notables And Nobility Mix On World Cruise.

Seldom, if ever before, has Hong Kong harbour been graced with the simultaneous arrival of two such liners as arrived here early this morning—the "Belgenland" (flagship of the Red Star Line) from the North and the "Empress of Australia" (flagship of the Canadian Pacific fleet) from the South,—in the course of world cruises with nearly seven hundred passengers in all aboard.

The appearance of the "Belgenland" in midstream is most impressive whilst the "Empress of Australia" lying alongside at the Kowloon wharf afford an interesting commentary on the design of these two C.P.R. liners. (The "Empress of Canada" went alongside the wharf yesterday from dock).

Tourists Play Soccer Here. Extensive plans for the entertainment of the tourists during their stay in Hong Kong have been made, in the case of the "Belgenland" by the American Express Company and, in the case of the "Empress of Australia," by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The tourists, in addition to visiting places of interest in Hong Kong, Kowloon and the New Territories, will visit Macao and Canton, various days for the trips being allotted to the various sections into which they are divided. Special cars have also been put at their disposal.

A football team chosen from the passengers on the "Belgenland" is to play the Kowloon F.C. Reserves to-morrow.

The local establishments, particularly the silk stores and curio shops, are anticipating good business during the stay of the tourists and rich and chair coolies also hail their coming with delight.

"Empress of Australia." The "Empress of Australia," which is under the command of Commander R. G. Latta, left Southampton on November 12, crossed the Atlantic to New York, and left the latter port on her world-cruise with over three hundred passengers on board on Dec. 2.

During the course of the cruise she will call at no less than twenty-eight important ports and is expected back at New York, via Panama Canal, on April 12, thus encircling the globe in 133 days. Since leaving New York the liner has touched European ports and reached Bombay, via Suez, on Jan. 17. From Bombay she went direct to Colombo and stayed five days before proceeding to the Straits.

Though the majority of the tourists are wealthy Americans, there is a sprinkling of Englishmen and Canadians on board, including the Earl and Countess of Pembroke and Montgomery.

Millionaire Tourists. In compiling the itinerary of the cruise, the promoters so arranged matters that Christmas (Continued on Page 4.)

Commerce. Dr. Wu was not injured by Dr. Lim Boon-keng, former principal of Amoy University, who is resident in Singapore, was slightly wounded.

Why They Are Unpopular. Dr. Wu (ex-Foreign Minister), Mr. Sun Fo (son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen) and Mr. Hu Han-min were prominent in the Rightist regime of the Nationalist Government which has been supplanted at Nanking by a combination between the Chiang Kai-shek group, the Leftists and some "Pinks." They are unpopular with the Communists because of their anti-Red views and their opposition to Mr. Wang Ching-wei, the Leftist leader now in exile.

It is understood that each of them was paid \$50,000 by the Nationalist Government for expenses on a world tour. They passed through Hong Kong and then Manila before reaching Singapore where it was to be expected they were entertained.

All three have occupied high positions in the Canton Government.

[A Reuter cable from London adds that the defendant, a Canton man, only recently arrived in Singapore.]

RUBBER SLUMP.

Restrictions Scheme Inquiry.

MINING LANE DISORGANISED.

Will Evidence Be Taken In Malaya?

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, Sir Frank Nelson (Cons., Gloucester, Stroud) drew attention to the slump in the price of raw rubber as the result of an announcement of an inquiry into the restriction scheme. He asked the Premier to take steps to expedite the enquiry.

Mr. Baldwin emphasised that the Committee must obtain considerable information before it reported to the Government. Subject to this, he gave an assurance that no time will be lost and asked for notice of a question whether evidence is to be taken in Malaya.

Sir W. Lane-Mitchell (Cons., Wandsworth, Stratham) declared that the uncertainty caused by the announcement had cost Mining Lane Market a loss of £23 a ton and asked whether the present regulations are likely to continue during the next twelve months.

Mr. Baldwin said the question should be addressed to the Colonial Office.—Reuter.

SPOT QUOTATIONS.

How Prices Dropped But Recovered.

London, Yesterday. An announcement that the Premier has asked the Committee of Civil Research to inquire into the operation and effects of the rubber restriction scheme caused a slump in the London rubber market to-day.

Spot rubber, which closed last night around 1/6d. per pound, fell to 1/3d. but recovered later to 1/4d. Rubber shares declined in sympathy.—British Wireless Service.

SURPRISE IN LONDON.

London, Yesterday. The announcement of an inquiry into the rubber restrictions scheme completely surprised Mining Lane Market which was disorganised this morning.

The cash price slumped to 1/4d. as compared with 1/5d. last evening.—Reuter.

A SURPRISE.

Growers Deplore Manner of Announcement.

London, Yesterday. A communique by the Rubber Growers' Association deplores the manner in which last night's announcement was sprung upon the industry and offers to do everything in its power to lighten the Committee's task and urges that the inquiry be not unduly protracted.—Reuter.

LIVELY SCENES.

New York Exchange's Record Transactions.

New York, Yesterday. Very lively scenes on the Rubber Exchange due to a bearish interpretation of Mr. Baldwin's announcement that a committee will investigate the restriction plan, caused an avalanche in selling prices.

"Near futures" dropped three cents and transactions totalled 2,631 lots which is a record.—Reuter's American Service.

"NO REMEDY."

REASON OF PRICE-WAR IN OIL.

AMERICAN PRODUCTION.

New York, Yesterday. Mr. A. S. Debenham, representing Sir Henri Deterding, arrived here aboard the "Berengarin" and declined to discuss the Standard Oil (New York) Co.'s purchase of oil from the Soviet. He declared that American over-production is the cause of the price-war and unless this is remedied no amicable adjustment is possible.—Reuter's American Service.

NAVAL STOKER MISSING.

Captain M. Maxwell, R.N., has reported to the police by letter that a first-class stoker of the Royal Navy named Peter Cobb is missing from his ship. The name of the ship was not given and no particulars of the missing man are available.

CLOSE TOUCH.

Britain and America In China.

"PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT."

Statement Made In House Of Commons.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, questioned whether further steps had been taken to co-operate with America in obtaining a peaceful settlement in China, Mr. Locker-Lampson said there had been no change since he was similarly questioned on Dec. 21. Britain will still maintain close touch with the United States in all matters of joint interest in China, said Mr. Locker-Lampson.—Reuter.

"MOST IMPORTANT."

America, Japan and Britain in Arbitration.

Washington, Yesterday. Definite steps in the negotiation of Anglo-American and Japo-American treaties of arbitration were taken by the State Department in forwarding Britain and Japan copies of the original proposed draft of a Franco-American treaty as the basis for discussion. Copies have also been despatched to other Governments which asked them, including Germany, but merely as a matter of information as negotiations with Britain and Japan are at present most important owing to the early expiry of the Root Arbitration Treaties.—Reuter's American Service.

Indications of Success.

Washington, Yesterday. With reference to the King's Speech, the proposed revision of the Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty is regarded by American officials as favourable "as there are indications of success in the negotiations, which will begin immediately the present Treaty expires in June.—Reuter.

"SUB" WARFARE.

"ABOLITION MUST BE UNIVERSAL."

BRITAIN'S VIEWS.

London, Yesterday. The Admiralty have placed orders for six submarines to be included in the 1927 Navy Estimates, five to be built by private industry at a cost of £2,500,000 and the sixth to be built at Chatham.—Reuter.

COMMONS QUESTION.

Britain's Views Defined Seven Years Ago.

London, Yesterday. The declaration of the United States Secretary of State, Mr. Kellogg, that his Government would be prepared to sign a Treaty with all other Powers prohibiting the use of submarines was the subject of a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Locker-Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied, "The views of His Majesty's Government in favour of the general abolition of submarines were made known at the Washington Conference of 1921 and were repeated by the First Lord of the Admiralty at the Naval Conference at Geneva last summer. They are therefore familiar to the United States Government. It is, of course, an essential condition, as indicated in Mr. Kellogg's declaration, that the abolition must be universal." Asked whether the matter was going to be brought up at Geneva at the end of this month Mr. Locker-Lampson said he did not know but the British Government were perfectly ready to reaffirm the declarations which they had already made at Washington and Geneva.—British Wireless Service.

VIOLENT GALE.

WRECKAGE AND DEATH IN CALIFORNIA.

Los Angeles, Yesterday. A violent gale tore off the top of Mount Lowe Observatory, near Pasadena. It wrecked a huge telescope and buildings in other cities. A thirteen years old boy was killed through grasping a 400 volt wire which had been blown down.—Reuter's American Service.

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HAROLD T. CREASY,
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Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 9th February, 1928.

RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will
OPEN for the transaction of
Public Business at 9.30 a.m. on
MONDAY, TUESDAY and WED-
NESDAY, the 13th, 14th and 15th
instant, and CLOSE at 12 NOON.
Hong Kong, 8th February, 1928.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that during the absence on
leave of Mr. A. W. VAN ANDEL,
Mr. F. H. J. A. LAFLEUR will act
as Manager.

HOLLAND CHINA TRADING
CO.
Hong Kong, Feb. 9, 1928.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEAR-
LY MEETING OF THE SHARE-
HOLDERS in this Corporation will
be held at City Hall, Hong Kong,
on SATURDAY, the 25th February,
1928, at Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Court
of Directors together with a State-
ment of Accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1927.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of
the Corporation will be CLOSED
from MONDAY, the 13th February,
to SATURDAY, the 25th February,
1928 (both days inclusive) during
which period no transfer of shares
can be registered.

By Order of the Court of
Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 6th February, 1928.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEAR-
LY GENERAL MEETING OF Hong
Kong Tramways, Limited, will be
held at the offices of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 27th
day of February, 1928, at 12 o'clock
noon to transact the ordinary busi-
ness of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY
ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER
OF MEMBERS of the Company
will be CLOSED from MONDAY,
13th to MONDAY, 27th FEBRU-
ARY, 1928, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 4th February, 1928.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

CORPS ORDERS FOR THE WEEK.

PARADES AND NOTICES.

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence
Corps Orders for the week, issued
to-day, by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird,
D.S.O., Commandant, read as fol-
lows:—

Musketry.

Sunday, February 12.
The Reserve Company will fire
Part I. Table "T" at Stonecutters
Range on Sunday, February 12,
1928.

Range Officer: Lieut. A. M.
Thornhill.

Launch will leave Murray Pier
at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier
at 9.10 a.m.
Dress: Uniform or muffi op-
tional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches,
braces and belt must be worn.

Arms will be drawn from Corps
Headquarters to-day, between 9
a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m.,
or 5 and 6 p.m.; and on Saturday,
February 11, between 9 a.m. and
1 p.m.

Corps Signals.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at
5.30 p.m. on Thursday, February
15, for Signal Instruction. Dress:
Muffi.

Artillery Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at
5.25 p.m. on Thursday, February
15.

The annual dinner of the Artil-
lery Company will be held at
Volunteer Headquarters on Friday,
February 24. If any old member
of the Company desires to attend
will be kindly communicate with
Lt. Bdr. L. F. Nicholson c/o The
Hong Kong and China Gas Co.,
Ltd., from whom all particulars
can be gained.

Mounted Infantry Company.

There will be a lecture at Corps
Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Friday,
February 10, 1928.

Armoured Car Company.

Car Section:—Field Exercise on
Saturday, February 11. Parade at
Corps Headquarters under Sergt.
Robson (unless otherwise detailed)
at 2.50 p.m. ready to move off at
3 p.m.

Dress: Uniform with shorts, put-
tees and hosotops, helmet, belt and
bandoliers. Greatcoats may be
carried if cold.

No parade on Monday, February
13, 1928.

Motor Cycle Section:—Parade at
Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on
Thursday, February 15, for special
class for instruction under Lieut.
J. E. Hancock for those previously
detailed.

There will be a tactical ride in
the New Territories on Sunday,
February 19, 1928.

Parade at Kowloon Railway Sta-
tion at 10.30 a.m.

Dress: Tunic, breeches, puttees,
belt and helmet.

Infantry Company.

Musketry Part I. Table "T" will
be fired at Stonecutters Range on
Sunday, February 19.

No. 1 Platoon:—Parade at Corps
Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Fri-
day, February 17, for Machine Gun
Instruction.

Dress: Muffi.

Scottish Company.

Thursday, February 16, at 5.30
p.m.

No. 5 Platoon will parade at
Platoon Headquarters (Taikoo
Dock) for Squad and Arms Drill.

No. 6 Platoon will parade at
Platoon Headquarters (Kowloon
Dock) for Squad and Arms Drill.

No. 7 Platoon will parade at
Corps Headquarters for Vicker's
Gun Instruction.

Pipers and Drummers will parade
at Corps Headquarters for practice
at 6.15 p.m. on Thursday, February
16.

Route March: Thursday, Feb-
ruary 23. The Company will
parade at full strength on above
date at Kowloon Ferry and march
to Kowloon Dock where No. 6
Platoon have kindly consented to be
"At Home" to Nos. 5 and 7
Platoons.

Coming Events.

Sunday, February 26, 1928:—
Part I. Musketry at Stonecutters.

Sunday, March 4, 1928:—Shoot
against 2nd K.O.S.B.

Sunday, April 1, 1928:—Inter-
Platoon Shoot for "Dyer" Cup.

"Quarry Bay" Cup:—Guard
Mounting, etc., will be competed for
in April after Easter holidays.

Portuguese Company.
Parade at Corps Headquarters at
6.30 p.m. on Friday, February 10,
for Squad and Arms Drill. Dress:
Muffi, belt, sling, rifle and bayonet.

N.C.O.s and Nos. 1 and 2 of
Lewis Gun Sections will parade at
Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.
on Thursday, February 16, for
Lewis Gun Instruction.

Next Company parade on Friday,
February 17, 1928.

Reserve Company.
Musketry Part I. Table "T" will
be fired at Stonecutters Range on
Sunday, February 12. Particulars
see Order No. 1.

Strength.
The following recruits are taken
on the strength and posted as
under:—

No. 1298 Pte. R. Kirkwood, No. 7
Platoon, as from February 2,
1928.

No. 1299 Pte. H. S. Berent, A. Car
Co., as from February 8,
1928.

Leave.
The following are granted leave
of absence from the Corps:—

No. 322 Drummer R. B. Bell, No.
5 Platoon, from March 5,
1928, to April 4, 1929.

No. 1099 Pte. A. E. McCartney,
M.I. Co., from January 28,
1928, until returning to the
Colony.

No. 727 Sergt. W. H. Owen, Eng.
Co., from March 1 to 10,
1928.

Marksman.
The undermentioned has qualified
as marksman and is entitled to wear
the badge for one year:—No. 491
Piper G. Nisbet, No. 6 Platoon, 91
points.

NOTICE.

No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club: The
next monthly spoon shoot will be
held at the Peak Range on Sunday,
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Harkness, widow of Mr. Stephen
Harkness, the partner of Mr.
J. D. Rockefeller, senior, in
founding the Standard Oil Com-
pany. Mrs. Harkness left a for-
tune of \$107,000,000 on which
\$18,000,000 has been paid as in-
heritance tax. On her husband's
death several years ago the estate
was estimated at \$50,000,000. The
enormous increase is due to the
consistent rise of the securities
composing the fortune, which in-
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and common stock of the Standard
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TAMBA MARU Sunday, 12th February.
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ANYO MARU Thursday, 15th March.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.
KAWACHI MARU Wednesday, 29th February.
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
CALCUTTA MARU Friday, 24th February.
LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.
LYONS MARU Saturday, 10th March.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.
TOTTORI MARU Sunday, 12th February.
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AKI MARU Friday, 17th February.
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TOURISTS HERE.

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was spent in the Holy Land, New Year at Cairo, India visited in the cool season, while Easter will be spent in Havana and Japan reached in "plum blossom" time.

Mr. William McInnes, the Cruise Director, and his twelve assistants have spared no pains in trying to make this trip round the globe as pleasant and enjoyable as possible and so far have met with unqualified success, as the voyage has proved very pleasant.

Mr. H. Hollingsworth, one of the twenty millionaires on board, occupies the suite used by the Prince of Wales during his trip to Canada on board the liner last year. He is the owner of a large yacht in which he contemplated a voyage round the world, but when the Empress liner was chartered by the Canadian Pacific Railway, he altered his plans and joined the tourist liner.

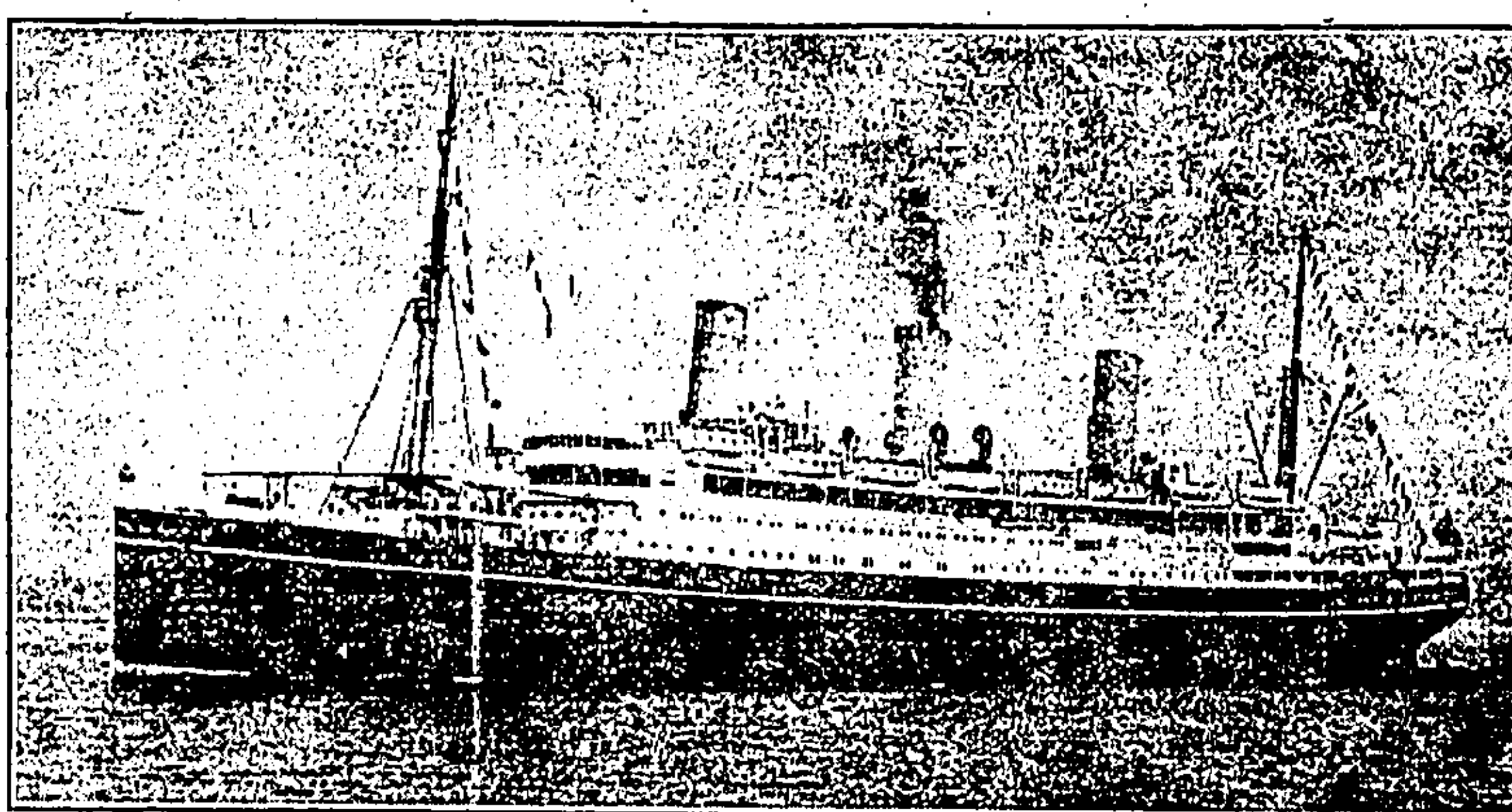
"The 'Belgenland'."

Passengers aboard the "Belgenland" represent ten nations, the Captain states. They include men and women from America, England, Belgium, Germany, Holland, Spain, Cuba, Sweden, France and Venezuela. All the passengers converse in the English language aboard ship. On New Year's Eve a special New Year programme was staged by officers and passengers of the vessel.

Chaplin's First Employer. The man who gave Charley Chaplin, the world-celebrated funny man of the cinema, his first big cinema contract arrived on the "Belgenland". The man is Mr. Edwin Thanhouser, pioneer film producer of New York and one of the best-known men in the business. He is accompanied by Mrs. Thanhouser on his tour of the world.

Mrs. Thanhouser is famous as a successful scenario writer and is the author of "Just Off Broadway", a mystery play which is to be produced on the board the

"EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA."



The Canadian Pacific "Empress of Australia" (21,833 tons), which arrived at Hong Kong to-day. She has been described as the "Dream Ship of Cruises". She sailed from New York on Dec. 2 on the fifth Canadian Pacific round-the-world cruise of 133 days, over 28,400 miles.

Among the other passengers on board are Baron and Baroness Le Foucaucourt, Lady Jane Williams-Taylor, wife of Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, the General Manager of the Bank of Montreal, Mr. E. L. Pease, Director Manager of the Royal Bank of Montreal is also on board.

Phil Scott's Trainer.

An interesting person on board is Billy Baker, butcher and boxing trainer, who had the well-known English pugilist, Phil Scott as one of his pupils and was one of the first men to teach the English heavyweight champion how to punch hard and often.

The ship's company proudly boast that they have the smallest cabin-boy in the world on their vessel. This is Frank Vincent, a neat little fellow, only 4-ft. 2-ins. in height and fifteen years old, who acted as bell-boy to the Prince of Wales when His Highness crossed the Atlantic.

"Belgenland" and later on the New York stage.

Turned Down Mary Pickford. There are many amusing incidents connected with the motion picture industry, and this was even more so in the early days when the industry was struggling for recognition, declared Mr. Thanhouser. At one time he refused to hire Owen Moore and Mary Pickford at a salary of \$75 a week because he did not think he could afford it. Mr. Thanhouser gave Charlie Chaplin his first large contract in the movies and had connections with many of the present and past stars of the silver screen.

A Popular Skipper.

The popular skipper of the "Belgenland" is Captain W. A. Morehouse, who is in command for the first time. Prior to his appointment with the round-the-world liner he was in command of the "Lapland" and the "Pennland." Born in Nova Scotia, Capt. Morehouse served his apprenticeship on the square-rigged sailing ships which sailed from St. John, New Brunswick, and for eight years was on ships engaged in trade with China. During the Spanish-American war he was engaged in carrying troops to the Philippine Islands.

Captain Morehouse has had more than the usual number of interesting experiences at sea. His two most prized possessions are medals which he received for rescuing the crew of the Dutch schooner "Anna" in mid-Atlantic. One of the medals is of gold and was presented to him by the Holland Society and the other, of bronze, is the gift of the Queen of the Netherlands.

A Happy Family.

The 344 passengers on the liner "Belgenland" are as one big, amiable family, Captain William A. Morehouse, skipper of the vessel, declared in an interview with a Press representative. Everybody knows everybody else on board, and long ago reached that intimate stage where titles and rank were forgotten and first names generally used.

The "Belgenland" boasts a number of persons prominent in the social and business life of several countries. Good fortune has attended the entire trip, Captain Morehouse stated, and there has been very little sickness and no deaths.

The crew of the Italian warship "Sebastiano Caboto," which visited Macao recently, paid homage to the Portuguese poet, Luis de Camoes on Tuesday. H.E. the Governor of Macao, the Italian Consul General of Hong Kong (Mr. S. Carrara) and a number of prominent officials were present at a ceremony which took place at the Grotto de Camoes.

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"Paper" Read.

That the subject is of great importance, especially to owners, who all wish to obtain the lightest hulls consistent with strength and efficiency, is obvious; and so special interest was taken in a paper which was read to the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders in Scotland, by Mr. W. H. Riddiesworth, M.S.C., of the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. Mr. Riddiesworth dealt with "Factors of Safety and Quality of Material," and remarked that the introduction of special steels, having an elastic limit considerably higher than that

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MONTEVIDEO MARU Friday, 10th February.
HAWAII MARU Saturday, 24th March.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
SHINGO MARU Thursday, 8th February.
SHINNOH MARU (Calls on Penang) Sunday, 19th February.
CELEBES MARU (Calls on Karachi) Monday, 6th March.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ER-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOHABA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
PANAMA MARU Friday, 2nd March.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
KASADO MARU Saturday, 25th February.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.
ARABIA MARU (From Shanghai) Tuesday, 7th February.
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MENADO MARU Tuesday, 14th February, 10 a.m.
TAIKWA MARU Tuesday, 28th Feb. 10 a.m.
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ALASKA MARU Saturday, 11th February.
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KIDDERPORE	5,834	28th Feb.	Marseilles & London
MACEDONIA	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles & London
TALIPORE	5,273	7th Mar.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,135	10th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KASHMIR	8,985	17th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MIRZAPUR	7,715	18th Mar.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
KARNATA	9,129	24th Mar.	Marseilles & London
MONGOLIA	10,094	31st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,144	7th Apr.	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	10,946	14th Apr.	Marseilles & London
NAGPore	5,283	21st Apr.	Marseilles & London
MOREA	10,053	28th Apr.	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,005	12th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
JEYPORE	5,313	19th May	Marseilles & London
MAIWA	10,985	26th May	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	9th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NOVARA	6,080	16th June	Marseilles & London
MACEDONIA	11,120	23rd June	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,114	7th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NANKIN	7,058	14th July	Marseilles & London

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MIRZAPUR	6,715	21st Feb.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KALYAN	9,144	25th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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NAGPore	5,283	6th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MANTUA	10,946	17th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
LAHORE	6,592	19th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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MAIWA	10,980	27th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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DELTA	8,097	11th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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THIS MORNING'S LIST.

Bolgheland (British) (27,192) from Antwerp, B. & S.—353 passengers.
Hopson (1,153) British from Canton—J. M. & Co.—3 passengers, 300 tons general cargo (through).
Liangchow (1,220) British from Shanghai, Amoy—B. & S.—32 passengers, 500 tons general cargo (through).
Tilawa (6,153) British from Calcutta, Singapore—Mc M. & Co.—63 passengers, 1,452 tons general cargo (through).
Hong Kong, 6,803 tons general (through).
Myrtle Bank (3,150) British from Moji, Shanghai—Bank Line—200 tons general cargo (through).
Linchow (1,416) French from Canton—Singha—cargo only.
Vimala (5,355) Italian from Yokohama, Shanghai—Dodwell—13 passengers, 20 tons general cargo (through).
Svala (1,354) Norwegian from Singapore—Lee Fat Co.—176 passengers, 1,500 tons general cargo (through).
Taisei Maru (1,864) Japanese from Karatsu—M.B.K.—3,350 tons general cargo (through).
Kamo Maru (7,955) Japanese from Yokohama—N.Y.K.—119 passengers, 22 tons general cargo (through).
Lushan Maru (1,507) Japanese from Shanghai, Swatow—N.Y.K.—139 passengers, 270 tons general cargo (through).
Sun Kong (322) Chinese from K. C. Wan—Man Yick Co.—300 tons general cargo (through).
Chung Kong (447) Chinese from Tourane—Yan Lee Mar.—250 tons general cargo (through).
Tak Hing (101) Chinese from Macao—Hoo Hing & Co.—65 tons general cargo (through).
Departures.
For Singapore—Shingo Maru, Hai Yang, Kutsang.
For Samsu—Washing.
For Dairen—Tojo Maru.
For Haiphong—West Faralou.
For Hoihow—Devawongse, Kwei Yang.
For Canton—Taming, Chung Wo.
For Sandakan—Mausang.
For Swatow—Hydrangea, Deli Maru.
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For Macao—Tak Hing.
Clearances.
For K. C. Wan—Hanai.
For Canton—Kine Maru.
For Hoihow—New Mathilde.
For Saigon—Montevideo Maru.

Arrivals.	Departures.	In
British	6	28
Japanese	6	8
Norwegian	1	0
Chinese	4	18
Danish	0	3
Dutch	1	5
French	1	0
German	0	1
American	0	1
Panama	0	1
Portuguese	0	2
	18	75

WORKMAN SULZER ENGINE.

The Anglo-American Oil Co. placed an order for two 12,000-ton tankers last year, and one of these, the "Chessapeake," was launched from Workman, Clark and Co.'s yard recently. The engine to be fitted in this vessel is a Sulzer type, and is the first constructed by Workman, Clark and Co., also the first of the design to be built in Ireland. The majority of large Sulzer engines are arranged for turbo scavenging, but in this unit, which develops 5,500 h.p. at 90 r.p.m., the scavenging pump is direct driven off the end of the crankshaft, as is also the injection-air compressor. Otherwise, standard practice is followed, except in two particulars. In the first place, the control station is at the bottom of the engine, in the centre, instead of at the top, although the system of reversing is normal; secondly, the bedplate is fixed direct to the tank top instead of the adoption of fore-and-aft girders.

RIFLE ON A JUNK.

At the Kowloon Magistracy, before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday, the master of a cargo junk was charged with the possession of a rifle without a permit. The defendant said that he had lost his permit, but subsequently admitted that the licence referred to belonged to the previous owner of the junk. He kept the rifle on board for the protection of the boat against pirates. A fine of \$100 was imposed.

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Tiau via Swatow & Shanghai	FOOSHING	Wed, 22nd Feb., at 7 a.m.
Kobe via Moji	YUENSANG	Sat, 11th Feb., at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	FOOKSANG	Fri, 17th Feb., at 7 a.m.
Kobe via Amoy, Moji & HOSANG		Thurs, 23rd Feb., at 7 a.m.
Yokohama	YATSHING	Tues, 14th Feb., at 11 p.m.
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MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The B. I. "Takada" will leave Amoy for this port to-day p.m. and is due here to-morrow p.m.
The P. & O. s.s. "Karnata" left Singapore for this port to-day at 6 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on February 18 at about 6 a.m.

The C.P.S. "Empress of Australia," R.W. Cruise, left Manila on February 8 at 5.30 p.m. and was due at Hong Kong to-day at 7 a.m. She leaves for Shanghai on February 13 at 10 p.m.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" (Capt. S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R.), will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at 6 a.m. on February 16.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong via Japan ports and Shanghai, on February 4, and is due here on February 23.

The M.V. s.s. "Sumatra" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Hamburg on January 27, and is due here on or about March 10.

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CHINESE GOODWILL.

"The anti-British character of the agitation had changed and the Chinese were beginning to acquire a better appreciation of the goodwill of the British Government and people," said Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons debate on the Royal Address. Strictly speaking, no fault can be found with the words Sir Austen has chosen. At least they give strong encouragement to Britons in China and British firms interested in China trade. In general terms, the Foreign Minister has correctly summed up the present situation. There are, of course, individual instances of anti-British activities but it is universally recognised that organised anti-British agitation has ceased. However, we would have preferred Sir Austen to have chosen a more appropriate phrase if only to remove misconception by various sections of people in the Old Country. The words "beginning to acquire a better appreciation" are the ones we find fault with. It is not now for recently that the Chinese have appreciated our good qualities, no matter how few they be. Usually ungrudgingly, considerable praise has been given us by the Chinese even during the crisis of the last two or three years. Individually we may not have pleased but the British nation can be justifiably proud of Chinese appreciation.

Mr. Eugene Chen and others of his ilk may have convinced large influential numbers at the time that the Chinese people had spontaneously decided on animosity towards the British Govern-

ment and antagonism to the British nation. Mr. Chen's high-sounding utterances were discredited by sound opinion at the time. Now the evidence against him is overwhelming. We maintain that at no time of the artificial anti-British campaign did the majority of Chinese feel bitter towards Britons as a whole. The Chinese have for many decades had a good appreciation of our goodwill and it is not correct to say that this appreciation has recently increased, because it has all along been manifest. Our system of government and our code of justice have always commanded respect. Our sense of fairness actuates our goodwill. And because they recognise our fairness, the Chinese live in Hong Kong (and other British colonies, and Concessions) in content, and flock here in thousands when threatened with unfairness in their own land.

According to figures compiled by the Chinese Foreign Office, more than one and a half millions of Chinese subjects live under the British flag and this total is exclusive of Hong Kong and Australia. The estimate referred to puts the number of Chinese resident in Hong Kong at 444,648. Recent statistics exceed this total and double the number is nearer the mark. Then there is the Chinese population in Australia as well. Over two millions will be a very conservative estimate for the whole of the British Empire. The Chinese Foreign Office also states that about eight millions of Chinese have migrated from China, and that only the Dutch East Indies have more Chinese than British territory, the estimate being placed at 2,325,000. It is interesting to point out that the majority of Chinese emigrants are Southerners, mostly Cantonese. The Cantonese are considered the most progressive of the Chinese. Changes of outlook have mostly emanated from Canton. Anti-British propaganda was maintained at Canton long after trouble elsewhere had ceased. But Cantonese living under the British flag made no attempt to move elsewhere. Nor did they fail to appreciate British goodwill. As we have consistently explained, the anti-British nature of unrest in China was a passing phase. Chinese appreciation was temporarily hidden by a mass of stirred-up agitation. The appreciation existed before. It has not become "better" but it has begun to assert itself again, now that the screen of "outside influence" has been removed by the Chinese themselves.

HOTELS CO. CLAIM.

MR. J. T. DOBBIE SUES AS GUARANTOR.

IN RESPECT OF HAYNES.

A case concerning a claim by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. against Mr. J. T. Dobbie under a letter of guarantee in respect of the Hotel's claim against Mr. L. E. Haynes was mentioned in the Summary Court this morning.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Dobbie appeared in person.

The letter of guarantee under which the Hotels Company claim is set out in the writ as follows (dated December 2):—

"In consideration of your withdrawing the warrant of execution against Mr. L. E. Haynes in respect of the above action (Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels v. L. E. Haynes), I hereby agree to pay you within one month the sum of \$123.35." (sd. Jas. T. Dobbie).

Mr. Dobbie indicated that he wished to dispute the case.

Date of hearing was fixed for March 6 at 11.30 a.m.

"THE RED FLAG."

BOOK IN CHINESE SEIZED.

SEDITION ALLEGED.

Leung Ping-kwong (26) described as a house-boy, and whose address is given as No. 21, Wing Sing Street, was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy with the unlawful possession of seditious literature.

Det.-Inspector Lane said that the documents were being translated at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs and asked for a week's remand.

In reply to the Magistrate, the Inspector said that documents appeared to be of a Communistic nature.

Accused Should Know.

The accused only admitted the possession of a book which he described as the "Hung Kay" ("The Red Flag").

Sergeant Condon, who arrested the accused, said that there were two or three books and different kinds of printed leaflets. The accused was arrested on Wednesday.

The Magistrate instructed that in cases of this nature the documents should be produced in Court and shown to the accused so that he could know for what he was being charged. The documents could be translated afterwards. At it was in the air without the accused knowing what he had to answer.

Note for the Future.

Inspector Lane promised to make a note for the future.

The Magistrate asked if it was necessary to have a whole week in which to translate the documents, and the Inspector replied that they were busy with translations at the S.C.A., and it will take at least four days to have the documents translated.

The Magistrate gave a remand until 10 a.m., on February 15.

ROLLS OF SILK.

SIX CHINESE CHARGED WITH THEFT.

POLICE ASK FOR TIME.

Six Chinese were charged before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning that they with another not in custody did feloniously break and enter a Chinese shop at No. 86, Jervois Street, ground floor, on February 2 at 4 a.m., and steal eight rolls of black satin, six rolls of crepe silk, one grey quilted jacket and one black crepe double long coat.

Mr. M. K. Lo was present in Court to defend two of the accused.

Other Charges to Follow?

Detective-Sergeant Baker, in applying for a remand in police custody for three days, said that a number of other charges were being brought against the accused, and the police have also taken from the accused a number of pawn tickets, and they required time in which to make inquiries at the pawnshops.

The Magistrate granted the application.

Mr. Lo then applied for bail to be effective after the period of detention in police custody, and Major Willson fixed this in the sum of \$500 each.

"VERY UNSANITARY."

When a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy with dumping, nightsoil, into the harbour at the Wan-chai reclamation, Mr. B. A. D. Forrest, assistant head of the Sanitary Department, told the Magistrate that the reclamation was in a very unsanitary condition on account of this dumping practice. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10 and told the accused to warn others that if any more such cases came before the Court the fine would be much heavier.

SUB-INSP. DICKSON.

POPULAR OFFICER BURIED YESTERDAY.

POLICE FORCE TRIBUTE.

The funeral of Acting Sub-Inspector M. R. Dickson of the Hong Kong Police, who died at the Government Civil Hospital, on Wednesday, took place yesterday afternoon, the coffin which was borne from the Hospital on a gun carriage being drawn by sixteen brother officers of deceased.

Among the many officers of the Force present were: The Captain Superintendent of Police (Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G.), Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (Deputy Superintendent of Police), Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, and Mr. W. Kent, (Assistant Superintendents of Police), Mr. Peter Grant (acting Chief Inspector), the Inspectors of the different Indian and Chinese contingents of the Hong Kong Police, Inspectors J. Ogg, Barnett, A. Clark, W. Shannon, Booker, Dorling, Acting Inspector Lane, Sub-Inspectors Vincent, Ellis, Elston, Langley, and others.

The coffin was transferred to the shoulders of brother officers at the Cemetery gate and carried to the place of interment reserved for members of the Police Force, a wreath from the deceased's mother being buried in the grave.

Wreaths were sent by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe and Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. V. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kent, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Reynolds, Mr. P. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. R. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. McWalter, Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Booker and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. J. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. W. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hollands, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Ewin, Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. B. Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dick, Mr. and Mrs. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Elston, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Langley, Mr. and Mrs. McMahon.

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DETECTIVE WORK.

ARMED MEN SENTENCED IN YAUMATEL.

As the result of a creditable piece of work on the part of a Chinese detective stationed at Mongkok, three Chinese, who are alleged to have been armed for robbery at Kowloon City were arrested on Jan. 21. Yesterday afternoon three defendants appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. W. Schofield and Major C. Willson, charged with the possession of daggers, wine cups, pieces of cloth and coils of wire suitable for use as gags and binding. The Chinese detective received information that armed men were gathered in the Hong Sung tea-house in Shanghai Street and informed Det. Inspector Fallon who with a party of police visited the tea-house and arrested two of the accused, on whom a dagger and other implements were found. The third man was arrested in a match in Argyle Street on information given by the others. He had a dagger. The two men on whom daggers were found were sentenced to six months' hard labour, whilst the other who had possession of the other implements received three months' hard labour.

PAPS P'RAP NOT!

Mother: "What Bobby! You ate all that cake without thinking of your little sister?"

Bobby: "I was thinking all the time. I was afraid she would come before I had time to finish it."

Magistrate: When were you married?

The wife in the case: I have forgotten.

The husband: I haven't; it was the day I stopped being happy.

Magistrate: And when did you separate?

The wife: I have forgotten.

The husband: I haven't. It was the day peace reigned again.

Jimmy: (about to receive his medicine)

"Here, mother: I want grandma to give me that medicine to-night. Her hands shake so."

Dick: I bet I can make a worse face than you can!

Donald: "You ought to be able to. Look at the face you've got to start with."

One of H.M. Inspectors who recently visited a country school plied the classes with many searching questions.

Towards the close of the afternoon, when the pupils were thoroughly exhausted, he said:

"And is there any question you would like to ask me?"

"Please sir, what time does your train go?" promptly enquired one of the boys.

"Bridget" said the girl's mistress, "go and see if the cake's done. Stick a knife in it. If it's done if the knife comes out clean."

Bridget departed. Some minutes later she returned beaming.

"The knife came out as clean as a whistle," she said, "so I stuck the rest of the knives in it, and the forks and spoons, too."

Schoolmaster: "Now, then, my boy, who wrote 'Macbeth'?"

Boy: (trembling violently): Please, sir, I didn't.

Teacher: "I know you didn't; but who did?"

Boy (with a spasm of virtue): "Please, sir, I don't want to be a tell-tale, but it was Georgie Riley, over in de corner sket—I seen him a-doin' of it."

"How did this happen?" asked the surgeon as he dressed the wound in the cheek and applied a soothing poultice to the damaged eye.

"Got hit with a stone," replied the patient.

"Who threw it?"

"My—my wife," was the reluctant answer.

"Hum! It's the first time I knew a woman to hit anything she aimed at, muttered the surgeon as he looked at the patient's cat, explained the sufferer. "I was behind her."

She: "Why is it, I wonder, that little men so often marry big women?"

He: "I don't know, unless it is that all little fellows like to make themselves look big!"

Bessie, in town with her mother, caught sight of a bald-headed man. "Oh, mother, she exclaimed, 'just see that man! He hasn't hair on his head. Isn't it sad?'"

"Hush!" replied her mother. "He will hear you."

"Oh!" said Bessie, in subdued tones, "Doesn't he know it?"

A notice displayed in a London restaurant:—"Do not look upon our knives and forks as medicine. They are not to be taken after meals."

Lady of the House: "I never give anything at the door!"

Tramp: "Very well, I'll come inside mum!"

"Are you Mrs. Stokes?"

"Yes. What can I do for you? Take a chair!"

"Right mum. I'm going to take the lot. I'm the broker's man."

Little Gertie returned home almost broken-hearted from a school she had entered only that day, saying through her tears, "The teacher told me to 'Sit down for the present, and she never brought it."

Husband: This jam has an awful lot of stalks in it.

Wife: Yes, dear, it is a new kind. It says on the jar "Branches Everywhere."

Magistrate: Is the man referred to your lodger?

Woman: He was.

Magistrate: He doesn't live with you now?

Woman: Yes he does.

Magistrate: So he is still your lodger?

Woman: No, he is my husband.

Solicitor: Your wife seems to be nursing a grievance.

Husband: Yes, it is testifying, and keeps the awals all night.

Magistrate: "Fourteen days."

Calprit: "Can I take my crystal set with me?"

Prison Governor (to released convict): "I'm sorry I find we have kept you here a week too long!"

Convict: "That's all right. Knock it off next time!"

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IN AND AROUND HONG KONG.

WHAT TO SEE AND HOW TO SEE IT.

TABLOID INFORMATION TO HELP THE TOURIST.

"Glorious Hong Kong." This apt description was used by the Bishop of London in bidding farewell to the Colony recently. And as he was more a missionary than a tourist in the ordinarily accepted sense of the word his impression of Hong Kong must be taken as it stands without any idea of comparison with other places in the itinerary of the pleasure-seeking globe trotter. But "glorious Hong Kong" can never mean anything to the visitor by liner who comes ashore merely to "stretch his legs" and to "see what there is to see" without any preconceived notions of arranging a systematic programme within the limited time at his disposal.

"Call at Cook's?" Yes; that may sound like a way out. And if not Cook's then at the Hong Kong Hotel's Tourist Bureau, or the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's agency or the American Express Company. But—and there is always a "but" for the tourist in a strange land—great as is the work that these concerns do on behalf of the tourist, if each and every individual on a liner containing hundreds of passengers all resolved on the same course of action on landing in Hong Kong they would assuredly crowd out the enquiry offices of the aforementioned concerns. True, these prepare for tourist liners and arrange schedules of tours and time tables—some dividing the visitors into several personally conducted parties—but why should that information not be at the disposal of the tourist beforehand? That is the intention of the present "Tourist Supplement" to the "China Mail."

A Word About Hong Kong. Of books and other literature on Hong Kong there is a plethora. Even to attempt to condense that information here might be wearisome to some, although welcome to others. There must be a happy mean. Statistics need not necessarily be dry-as-dust. Much depends on the manner of their presentation and their ability to grip the interest of the reader.

Every school boy knows that Hong Kong is a British Colony lying off the south-east coast of China at the estuary of the Chuking River (commonly called the Canton River). The Colony is not confined to the Island; it includes a small portion of the mainland on the Peninsula of Kowloon and the New Territories. The capital of

the Colony is called Victoria, and the extreme length of the Island is eleven miles and the breadth two to five miles. There is a British Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) with a Legislative Council. The Colony is also the headquarters of the South China Command, British Army, and a naval station.

The Peak By Night. From the deck of the steamer the city of Victoria is overshadowed by a range of hills, called Victoria Peak, on which at night scintillate hundreds of electric lights, resembling a glimpse of fairyland. It is a sight that is never forgotten—a sight that can always enchant the oldest resident as well as the newcomer. The Island is separated from the mainland by a narrow strait, which makes an excellent harbour the approaches to which from the ocean are dotted with green-capped islets that rival in beauty even the great harbour of Sydney. And even that beauty is eclipsed by the scenery on the Island itself and on the mainland.

The possibilities of sight-seeing on the part of the visitor are always, of course, circumscribed by the brevity of his stay in the port. With only a day at one's disposal the most must be made of the time so as to take in even in a fleeting manner as much as possible of the local sights. When a stay of two or even three days is made, then, naturally the visitor can pick and choose what he would like to see and to omit that which may not particularly appeal to him. As one man's meat may be another man's poison so one type of scenery or one place of interest may draw a crowd and still leave others cold and impressionless. But no tourist can afford to leave out the ascent of the Peak, undertaking the journey by motor car to the Peak Hotel, thence by sedan chair to the Signal Station and returning by chair to the Hotel and making the descent by tram car.

Three Tours. Many suitable trips on the Island and in the New Territories could be suggested to the tourist here for a day or so. The following three are all easily accessible and have been drawn up so as to give the visitor a fair indication of the beauties of the Colony.

Tour 1. The party should start at about 11.45 a.m. by motor car from the

centre of the town and proceed past the Lower Tram Station to Government House, the Dairy Farm, and Upper Road to Repulse Bay.

Tiffin at Repulse Bay Hotel, about noon.

Leaving Repulse Bay at 2 p.m. and proceeding round the Island via Quarry Bay and Happy Valley arriving back in town about 2.45 p.m. Distance covered about thirty miles.

Tour 2. Commencing from centre of town, via Lower Peak Tram Station and as above to Repulse Bay, thence the Peak Hotel via Stubbs Road. Finishing with auto at the Peak Hotel.

Small car (Four seater):—\$7 Stop over.
Large car (Six seater):—\$10.50 extra.

From the Peak Hotel the ascent by chair to the Flag Staff should not be missed. Descent to the City may be made by the Peak Tramway. Chair and Tram fares are not included in the above fares.

Tour 3. Distance sixty miles; Time 3½ hours. Commencing at Kowloon Ferry via Castle Peak, Fanling Golf Course, Taipei and Shaolin, finishing at Kowloon Ferry.

Round the Island. What has been well described as one of the most magnificent drives in the world is that by motor car round the Island. The route followed is from Queen's Road Central, thence into Garden Road, past Government House and the Botanic Gardens, along Caine Road, Bonham Road, past the University of Hong Kong, along Pokfulam Road, Aberdeen Road, and Repulse Bay, where a stop can be had for refreshments or the more enjoyable tiffin. Leaving Repulse Bay Hotel the journey is proceeded with to Stanley Bay, Tyntunuk Reservoir, and Sai Wan Gap and thence to Shauiwan. Within a short time Taikeo Dock is reached, and from there it is a very short drive back to the original point of departure.

The entire drive covers a distance of 26 miles, but the scenery on route cannot adequately be described in mere prose. It has to be seen to be appreciated as it deserves. Next to the ascent and descent of the Peak it is a trip that no tourist should omit from his programme of sight-seeing.

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AN IMPRESSION OF HONG KONG.

"Like the Great Shadow of a Chinese Temple Upon the Sky."

FAMOUS WRITER'S VIVID PEN PICTURE.

The following article, written some time ago by the eminent authoress, Miss Stella Benson, is reproduced with acknowledgment to the Editor of "The Athenaeum."

It was morning when the ship slid out from under the eaves of Hong Kong. Hong Kong is like the great shadow of a Chinese temple upon the sky; its summit is nearly always ruled straight by a high horizontal mist, its slopes have the optimistic concavity of temples, and only lack a titanic dragon and a curled lion or two to make the temple suggestion complete. At night, so absurdly is Hong Kong tilted, it loses its outline, for the lights of the Peak climb so high and the stars climb so low.

But it was morning when my little ship deftly extricated herself from the tangle of shadows and ships in the harbour. Between the tawny junks, the low grey battlements with decks like petrified forests, the dark, rusty tramp steamers, the hooded sampans on which the Chinese water coolies with their cats and flowers and women and babies live—between this and that my little ship picked her way. Hong Kong itself was dim, but across the harbour the clouds were crystallised into balls and loops of silver that blew about among the gaunt hills of South China.

When Hong Kong slipped over the grey-glazed rim of the sea the little ship—she had a Chinese name, shall we call her the "Chang-shing"—seemed all alone like a guest in a strange land; a great company of remote islands stood about her, and, without welcome, watched her pass. I had never been so much alone on the sea before. The ways of the globe-trotter have been too much my ways; too often on ships there have been men and women between me and the sea. I have listened to the voices of travelling salesmen on the subject of modern drama rather than to the passing words of the sea. I have crisscrossed associated ships with cheap emotions and cheap scent.

The "Chang-shing" carried only indigo and, by courtesy, me. She was only smart in comparison with some of the junks. And perhaps in order to show herself to advantage, for the first two days of her voyage north she rolled snoring proudly up the rough ruts of a plunging avenue of junks. Chinese fishing junks are like skeletons in crinolines. Their tattered matting sails are stiffened like fans with bamboo; wreathed about their figures are red paper prayers, struggling to catch the attention of heedless gods. Often these junks were tilted forward, stern high and bow awash, as though the vessel contemplated diving. They swung at anchor, jealously guarding their little claims in the sea, each claim staked out by a hedge of flagged bamboos floating upright. China, with hills dull red or dunes bleakly white, ran by us to the west; there was never a sign of life on the coast, and at night never a light. We passed a lighthouse on the third day; white and sophisticated, it sprang up in a primitive, and dreamworld world. Could it be that men and not gods lived in that isolation? How the sea must count to them.

"You an' him can have a' the sea for me," said the Skipper, who is from Dundee, and like most sailors, believes that he wants to settle down. He says rather prettily that he wants to see of the sea for the rest of his life is a "wee for seelver edge." And he talks little of the immediate sea; his stories, which hold me spell-bound over a lingering mango or lichee for hours after the meal proper is over, deal with remote adventures—tigers in the South China hills, quarrels and hot nights in Indian ports, inside anecdotes of the North Sea in war-time, the pursuit of gold in Australia by one Weather-beaten Brown, the occasional ill-reprieved relief of Port Arthur during the Russo-Japanese war, politics and the dog-war tendency of poor England, the first voyage of an apprentice round the world in a sailing-ship thirty years ago.

Sometimes the talk comes closer and turns on typhoons or pirates. These things are so common, they rarely find a new ear for their reception in the China trade. Every island talks of one typhoon until the next stops the talk; every river-mouth echoes with the doings of pirates. One of the most power-

ful trade unions in China—that land of perfect trade unions—is the pirates' guild. But most of all the skipper and the mate, and, on occasions, the pilot and the firm's agent, love to tell very small, vague stories about other sailors. Their minds are a network of names. "Then there was McKay—d'you mind what his wife said when he found her mother in the larder?" and Guthrie, who called for carrots . . . in Shanghai . . . and what was the tale of Fair-r-guson and the centipede? . . . Scotland's population must be about five hundred per cent. merchant sailors, I think. One never really appreciates the greatness of Scotland until one goes to sea.

The "Chang-shing" scorned to touch so sophisticated a port as Shanghai, but one evening at sunset on a sea of glazed crimson she passed the mouth of the Yangtze river. The perspective of the clouds followed that of the river, and there was a great feather of wine-coloured cloud rooted, as it seemed in the sun itself; the tip of the plume hung low over our mast. The river withdrew into a low confusion of hills, and into that confusion the sun sank down alive.

We ran into a fog that night, and the "Chang-shing" rent her soul and mine with cries of warning to an apparently empty world. But the fog was like the curtain between two acts, for when at noon next day we shook ourselves clear of it we were in northern seas, and the great square-sailed grey junks that travelled across our sight were of a new and more austere shape.

The coast was fiercer and more scarred. We-hai-wei, that British home from home, broke the outline of the cliffs, and we could see the bulls of the herd at rest, the dark formidable outlines of the China Squadron, and a mother-ship of submarines with her frolicsome young. And at Wei-hai-wei, though we did not put into harbour, a large number of passengers alighted. They were courtesy passengers, like me, a great company of the most incorrigible landlubbers, most unsuitably dressed for a sea-journey. Finchers, jays, little tentative flautists, nameless to me, smooth grey-crested dandies with scarlet throats, pigeons, a couple of sparrow-hawks—lion and lamb alike they had been sitting for the last twenty-four hours in agitated rows upon our deck and rigging. They trusted me to an unexpected extent, though not to the point of eating the crumbs which I spread out before them. Some of the Chinese sailors betrayed their trust and caught one or two. The sea-gulls laughed loud, raucous, nautical laughter at this innocent invasion. But the passengers knew what they were about. They alighted as one bird at Wei-hai-wei.

We reached the port of Chefoo late on our sixth night. All next day, while coolies, dyed bright blue with indigo, piled into precarious lighters the oozing sacks of our cargo, the skipper and I explored the sordid and sun-stricken city of Chefoo. I cannot bear to think that Chefoo still exists, a city baked and caked in squalor. On every side there were two inevitable sights—cruelty and churches. The men beat the horses, the boys beat the dogs, the babies tortured the little flame-coloured lizards, that ran about the walls. The streets, it seemed to me, were full of dark, earth-blackened, naked bodies contorted with anger and the power of making anger felt. The churches looked on decorously, feeling no doubt that here was useful copy for endless sermons. I was glad when the "Chang-shing" went out of Chefoo into the clean yellow sea.

The Yellow Sea is really yellow, which seems wonderful to me. It was yellower than probability would allow, so yellow and so mottled in surface that a stinging of camels would have seemed less surprising on its horizon than a junk. A pilot, full of wheezy jocosity, came on board and inserted the "Chang-shing" into the Pel-ho river. Two Chinese mud-forts, long proved futile by British naval guns in the Boxer rising, still keep up the pretence of guarding that narrow mouth, but the "Chang-shing" ignored them and began feeling her way up a waterway which is like a puzzle founded on a timeless repetition of the last letter of the alphabet. The earth was no less golden than the sea; the evening was an orgy of old gold. The villages were of yellow mud, the mud houses were eyeless, their crumbling doors gaped; there was no colour but yellow in their streets. There were graves everywhere, cones of mud varying in height and perfection of symmetry according

HONG KONG.

Facts About The Colony.

SHIPPING AND COMMERCE.

Hong Kong is an island about 10 miles long and from 2 to 6½ miles broad, with a total area of 32 square miles; it lies close to the mainland, being separated at one point by a narrow strait (Lyceum) not more than a quarter-mile wide, and was first occupied by Great Britain in January, 1841, and was formally ceded by the Treaty of Nanking in 1842; British Kowloon was subsequently acquired by the Peking Convention of 1860; and the New Territories, being a peninsula in the southern part of the Kwangtung province, by a lease signed June 9, 1898. The whole colony comprises an area of about 891 square miles, with a population (1921) of 662,200 (1925, est. 874,420). The non-Chinese residents, excluding naval and military, numbered about 15,200 (1925, est. 16,500).

A Free Port.

The capital of the colony is Victoria, which lies along the northern shore of the island, facing the mainland; and between the mainland and the city is the harbour, which is one of the finest in the world, with a water area of some 10 square miles. With the exception of liquor and tobacco the port is free, and is fortified. It possesses excellent locks, capable of holding the largest vessels for the purposes of repair. There is a considerable ship repairing and construction industry. Shipping entered (1923) 26,701,120 tons. A railway, of which 23 miles belong to the Government, runs from Kowloon to Canton; the length north of the Sham Chun River (which is the boundary of the British territory) is controlled by the Chinese Government. A light railway runs through the fertile valleys of the north-east portion of the New Territories from Fanling to Sha-tau-kok, a distance of 7 miles. Good roads connect the principal districts with the railway.

Climate.

The island is broken in shape and mountainous, the highest point being Victoria Peak, which is about 1,820 feet high. The Peak District is a favourite place of residence, and is reserved for Europeans. The new Territories contain peaks from 1,800 to 3,000 feet. The hot season lasts from May to October. During the winter months, from November to March, the climate is cooler, drier, and more invigorating. The average daily maximum temperature ranges from 87 degrees in July to 63 degrees in February, and the average daily minimum temperature from 78 degrees in July to 55 degrees in February. The average annual rainfall is 84 in., of which no less than 75 per cent. falls between May and September, when the S.W. monsoon prevails.

Vast Trade.

Hong Kong is the centre of a vast trade in many kinds of produce, chiefly camphor, coal, cottons, flour, gunnies, hides, iron and steel goods, leather, matches, oils, rice, silks, sugar, tea and tin. Much encouragement is given by the Government to education in the colony. In 1924 there were 1,079 schools subject to Government supervision, attended by 58,930 pupils. The University (opened in 1912) includes faculties of medicine, engineering, and arts. Hong Kong is a Crown colony, and its government is administered by a Governor, aided by an Executive Council of 9 members, together with a Legislative Council of 14 members, including himself, a representative from the Chamber of Commerce, and a representative of the Justices of the Peace. There is also a Sanitary Board, partly elected, which controls certain sanitary measures.

to the importance of the occupant. The cities of the living and the cities of the dead were not divided. It is a proud and honourable thing to be dead in China, and the choice between one mud house and another is a very small choice. Movement in the land was chiefly provided by the salt-mills; like merry-go-rounds at a home fair, they span and span, lacking only the music and the colour and the merriment. Sometimes muddled babies ran down on to a mud beach to throw themselves down in the golden wave caused by the "Chang-shing" passing. In that wave the moored fishing boats stirred uneasily; they were like dragon-fles asleep, their nets were stretched on quivering bamboos at the tops of hinged masts.

Once, as the fringes of the smoke that overhangs Tientsin began to shut out the sun, there was music beside us, and I looked down into a fishing boat on its way home from sea. In the bow sat the musician, singing softly and vaguely to a long-necked guitar; in the stern his partner had unbraided his waist; long blue-black hair and combed slowly with luxurious fingers. A tawny little boy, in a single blue garment, propelled the unhurried boat in time to the song. And then the city and the end of the little voyage invaded us.

IN AND AROUND HONG KONG.

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Other Places of Interest.

Apart from motor launches that take the visitor to Stonecutters' Island and numerous inlets, abounding in most beautiful scenery, there is much to entertain, amuse and instruct without resort to vehicles. The Chinese curio shops and Indian stores cannot well be passed over by those in search of novelty or for a souvenir of their visit to this enchanted isle. There is "China Town," teeming with thousands of Chinese living in narrow streets where one can almost stretch hands across the "thoroughfare," and where glimpses may be had of typical Chinese life in all its varied phases.

A good combination is a bus or motor car drive to Aberdeen (already referred to) and a tour through the Chinese fishing village. If time permits there is also a quaint little hamlet, Apichau, which can be reached in a few minutes by sampan. The return journey from Aberdeen can be made by launch, in which case the scenery fringing the harbour approaches will be found very refreshing after the spell through the Chinese quarters of Aberdeen and Apichau.

For the individual who cares not for the joys of motoring a casual walk through the heart of the city will reveal much of interest in the way of public buildings and statues, including—although some way out—the University of Hong Kong. There are taxicabs and jinrikishas, not to mention sedan chairs, but in the case of the two latter the legal fare should always be ascertained beforehand, as otherwise the "stranger within the gates" may find himself the victim of profiteering.

China and Jinrikisha Fares.

For chairs the tariff is—two bearers—15 cents for the first ten minutes; 20 cents for a quarter of an hour; 30 cents for half an hour; and 25 cents for every subsequent hour. For four bearers the fares are exactly double, with the exception that every subsequent hour after the first is charged 40 cents. Jinrikisha charges are: 10 cents for 10 minutes; 20 cents for a quarter of an hour, 30 cents for half an hour; and 40 cents for an hour.

Kowloon and New Territories. A reference to Kowloon has already been made in the third of the suggested tours—namely, Castle Peak, Fanling, Tai-po and Shatin.

A good afternoon's outing can be spent at Kowloon City, omnibuses to which run from the Star Ferry at Kowloon Point (10 cents fare from Hong Kong to Kowloon). En route a glimpse is afforded of the whole of the Kowloon Bay, with Lyceum Pass in the distance.

Eventually the granite wall of the old city of Kowloon will be reached, containing the old-time residence of the official representative of the Emperor of China.

There is also a School for the Blind, where dainty articles may be purchased.

Returning by a bus marked "Yau-mat" the tourist can alight in Jordan Road and spend an enjoyable time in King's Park, where are laid out football, tennis, and bowls grounds for various Clubs and institutions.

As an alternative a visit may be commended to Kowloon Tong, which lies off the main bus and motor road. In Kowloon, namely, Nathan Road. This is destined to be a model settlement and garden city combined, and the self-contained houses, each with a strip of garden, are a distinct change from the row upon row of flats which the vehicles pass in Nathan and other roads in Kowloon.

Lovers of lawn bowls are well catered for. Besides the rinks of the Club de Recreio and the Club de Golf, there are bowling greens at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, in Austin Road (off Nathan Road), the Kowloon Cricket Club, and the Kowloon Dock. Tennis can be had at many Club courts at King's Park, at the United Services Club (opposite King's Park), the Kowloon Cricket Club, and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. Football is played at King's Park and on the ground of the Kowloon Football Club, facing the harbour in Chatham Road. Cricket is provided at King's Park and at the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Sport in Hong Kong. On the island there is no end to the variety of outdoor sport to be indulged in or watched, the principal ground being at Happy Valley, which can be reached in a very short time by tramcar, taxi, cab, or motor car, not to mention the slower jinrikisha if time is no object. There is a fine Racecourse, where races are held at various periods from the middle of February to the beginning of December.

Of other sports to be had at Happy Valley, there are football ("soccer"), and Rugby codes, cricket, baseball, and tennis. The "home" of local cricket is the Hong Kong Cricket Club opposite Murray Barracks in Queen's Road. It is on this ground that interport matches are played, teams coming once in two years from Shanghai and less frequently from Malaya. Where to Dine or Stay. For the tourist whooped up at sea for days on end there are many facilities for lunch (oriffin) and dinner, including the Hong Kong Hotel and the Café Regent in Pedder Street; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, in Des Voeux Road; the King Edward Hotel, the Savoy Hotel, and the Alexandra Restaur-

ant in Ice House Street (directly opposite the Star Ferry wharf), also the Kowloon Hotel in Kowloon (a few minutes' drive from the Ferry in a jinrikisha).

In Des Voeux Road, and other streets there are many Chinese restaurants for those who like to sample Chinese dishes.

Miscellaneous Information. The Radio Telegraph Office (above the Post Office in Pedder Street) is open day and night for the transmission and reception of radio messages and for reporting vessels entering the harbour. The charge to most vessels is 40 cents per word with a minimum charge of \$3.

There are branches of the Eastern Extension, Telegraph Company and the Northern Telegraph Company, in Connaught Road (facing the water front and just beyond the Hong Kong Club). These are open day and night for the transmission of cablegrams to any part of the world.

Cable rates are: To Europe via Suez, \$1.50 per word; to America, \$1.75 to \$3.30; to Canada, \$1 to \$2.20; and to Australia, \$1.25. The postage rates are: Four cents per ounce to British territories and China; 10 cents per ounce to America and other foreign countries.

Travellers' cheques can be cashed and payments made on letters of credit issued by other bankers, by Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, the C.P.R., and the American Express Co.

The principal exchange banks are: The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, the Mercantile Bank of India, the Banque de l'Indo-Chine, and the City National Bank of New York (International Banking Corporation)—all situated in Queen's Road Central.

For other useful information concerning Hong Kong the tourist may be recommended to purchase a copy of the "Dollar Directory" published at 3a, Wyndham Street.

CANTON.

The commercial capital and most interesting city of South China, is in direct communication with Hong Kong by steamer and railway. There are daily (Sundays excepted) services of steamers both directions. The journey is about 6½ to 8 hours by steamer, according to steamer and tide, and 4½ hours by train.

On arrival in Canton clients of Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son, are met by an experienced and competent guide who has conducted the principal visitors through this fascinating city for many years. The tour usually embraces Chun-ka-chi Ancestral Temples, Temples of the 500 Geni, City of the Dead, Kingfisher's Feather, Work-Jade, Receptacle picture, Painters, Flowering Pagoda, Jade Stone Street, Old Embroidery Shops and Sai Hing Street, etc.

For the guidance of those whose time is limited, the following itinerary is given.

One Whole Day in Canton. Leave Hong Kong 2 a.m. Arrive Canton 9 to 10 a.m. Leave Canton 3.30 p.m. Arrive Hong Kong (about) 10.30 to 11.30 p.m.

The fare provides first class travel tickets, breakfast, lunch and dinner, service of competent private Guide for sightseeing by sedan chair to City of the Dead, Flowering Pagoda, Ancestral Temple, etc.

For full information, reservations and tickets apply to Cook's Hong Kong Office.

Inclusive Charges:— For one person \$31.00 For each of party of 2 27.60 " " " 3 26.50 " " " 4 26.00 " " " 5 25.50 " " " 6 25.20

Rates for larger parties are regulated by the number of participants and will be furnished on application.

The above rates provide for three coolies per chair. Should four coolies be considered necessary by the Guide in charge, the cost of the additional coolies is payable to him direct.

Tours of longer duration and including passage by 8 a.m. steamer may be arranged. Fares on application.

MACAO.

A Portuguese Colony and the pioneer settlement of the Far East, being founded in 1557. It is a picturesque spot at the mouth of the Canon-River, with the ruins of the San Paulo, Camoes' Gardens and Grotto, and Fan-tan Gambling Saloons.

Steamers leave Hong Kong on week days at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m., and Macao at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Passage 4 hours. Single journey \$4; return \$7.

There is also a special excursion to Macao every Sunday, leaving Hong Kong at 9 a.m., returning at 3.30 p.m., return fare \$5; week-end excursion, return fare \$6.00.

HONG KONG HEIGHTS.

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the island and Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1823
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1305
Talkoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. David	877
Bowen Road (Hillside)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Tai-mo Shan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

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"FIVE DRAGON TEMPLE"

Giant Brass Image.

A KOWLOON CITY PLACE OF WORSHIP.

"Five Dragon Temple" at Kowloon City is well worth the trouble of visiting as it contains many objects of interest to the European. Hanging on the wall is a scroll in English which gives the history of the giant "Chan Mo" or "Pak Tai" as it is known in the vernacular, an image over 500 years old reposing on the altar of honour.

Mr. Tsang Foo, the local confectioner, is mainly responsible for the temple's erection, having purchased the brass idol from Canton and supervised the building outside his villa and school. A typical example of foreign influence in Chinese life is noticeable in Mr. Tsang's house which adjoins the temple. The grounds contain buildings of strictly Chinese type and the semi-European type, while a Chinese pond has two foreign-style rowing boats in it and the garden has a wind-driven water condenser made in Illinois, U.S.A.

There are images worked in brass of a tortoise and a snake, which represent the deities who carry out God's benevolent orders. That the natives of Kowloon attach much importance to the temple is evident from the large incense containers bestowed in the place of worship.

"Chan Mo."

Below we give an interesting translation:— History of the brass image of the god "Chan Mo" in the Five Dragon Monastery.

"Mr. Tsang Shiu-wing alias Tsang Foo bought the image at Canton for a sum of \$1,200. It measures 8 feet high, and weighs over 1,000 catties. At the left of its robe, are inscribed the 18 characters, 'Yam Chai Tuk Li Kwong Tung Chu Chi Shi Pok Kim Kun Im' (Imperial Inspector-General of Canton Shipping and Salt Commissioner), but the part beneath this has been torn away. At the right corner are found the 17 characters, 'Tai Ming Man Lik Sam Shap Yut Nin Shui Chi Kwai Mau Kwai Chau Kat Yat Kin' (manufacturer of the Temple and not the date of the manufacture of the image. The Imperial Inspector-General of Canton Shipping and Salt Commissioner engraved on the image, was the builder of the Temple, but unfortunately his name has been torn off. However, during the Dynasty of Shan Chung many servants of the Imperial Household were sent out to make heavy levies on the income of merchants, and from this, we can deduce that the image was brought to Kwong Tung from Peking by one of such servants, and was enshrined in a temple at Canton after the name of the manufacturer and the date of manufacture had been engraved on it.

Alas! over 500 years have elapsed since the Wing Lok Dynasty. The image was removed from Peking to Canton, and again from Canton to Kowloon, and is now a Taoist Temple, and just some time ago it had a narrow escape from being destroyed. Can it be the case that even a lifeless object has its time of prosperity and misfortune?

The Temple.

Now Mr. Tsang having obtained the image, has erected a temple for it at Kowloon under the name of the Five Dragon Temple the very original name of the Monastery from which it came. This history is written for the advice of those who may worship the god and pray him to remove any cause of misfortune.

Written by the True Retired Scholar of Kowloon on the 15th of the 12th moon of the 'Yam Shui' year (31.12.23). Chop of 'Chan Pak-to'. Chop of the True Retired Scholar of Kowloon (nom-de-plume of Chan Pak-to).

Chung, he showed great divine prodigy on different occasions, and much more in the Yuen and Ming Dynasties. When the Emperor Shai Tso of the Yuen Dynasty first established his capital at Peking, he revealed the appearance of his Divine Tortoise and Snake on the Ko Leung river in the 12th moon of that year, prophesying the foundation of the Sung Dynasty. A temple was therefore built for his worship. Seventy-four years later, on a "Tin Shau" festival in the Yan Chung Dynasty he again showed his appearance in Mo Tung Hill.

Kam Luk Temple.

Therefore, the Kam Luk Temple was built, and the Five Dragon Monastery was renovated to make offerings to him every year. In the years of the Emperor Wing Lok of the Ming Dynasty, great development was again made to this Temple and Monastery. In the record of the Mo Tung Hill by Wong Tok-kwan, will be found the following quotations:—"Powerful is Emperor Shing Tso. He is great, divine and awe-inspiring. Under him peace prevailed at home and abroad. All this was owing to the help of Chan Mo, who came down to guide the 6 Armies of the Emperor. To award his services, great repairs were made to his Temples. Then prosperity reigned throughout the Empire, and the power of the Emperor was extended to the farthest country. Indeed the different temples built in honour of Chan Mo were as numerous as stars in the sky." This shows that the worship of this god was more zealous in the Sung Dynasty than in the reign of Yuen, and therefore his temples could be found everywhere in the Empire.

Made At Peking.

This brass image was manufactured under the supervision of a native of Tai Hing of Shun Tin. From this we can tell that it was made at Peking and during the Dynasty of Wing Lok. The data Kwai Mau of the Emperor Man Lik inscribed thereon is the date of the erection of the Temple and not the date of the manufacture of the image. The Imperial Inspector-General of Canton Shipping and Salt Commissioner engraved on the image, was the builder of the Temple, but unfortunately his name has been torn off. However, during the Dynasty of Shan Chung many servants of the Imperial Household were sent out to make heavy levies on the income of merchants, and from this, we can deduce that the image was brought to Kwong Tung from Peking by one of such servants, and was enshrined in a temple at Canton after the name of the manufacturer and the date of manufacture had been engraved on it.

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ANCIENT CHINESE CURRENCY.

Demand Drafts Nearly 2,000 Years Ago!

"FLYING MONEY" OF TANG DYNASTY.

Lecturing at the Rotary Club at the Astor House Hotel recently, Rotarian Mr. K. P. Hu of the Peking-Mukden Railway gave a most interesting address on Chinese Coins and Currency. He supplemented his remarks with several valuable specimens of ancient coins, and photographic remnants of old currency notes. Among the latter was an imprint of an old draft, bearing a chop signifying that it was payable on demand at Chengtu, Nanking, and one other city, and carrying a warning that fraudulent imitation of these drafts rendered the guilty party liable to capital punishment, and offering a reward of 300 "Kwan" to those giving information of such forgery. Mr. Hu also exhibited a form of currency made of metal of the size and shape of an old-fashioned key, but minus teeth. This, he said, was used as a draft as early as the days of Christ. This implement was engraved with a number of characters, some of them in gold, in order to prevent imitation. The draft was bought in one city and payment was returned on presentation in another city. The manufacture of this currency was very complicated and ordinary persons could not do it.

Sign For Profit.

Mr. Hu said that in the ancient days China was essentially an agricultural country, consequently the principal assets of the people were farming implements. In the process of bartering, implements such as shovels, spades, etc., formed the principal medium of exchange. "Tann Pi," or shovel currency, was therefore the earliest type of currency known, the coin being in the shape of a shovel. This was followed by "Dau Pi," or knife currency, the coin being in the shape of a knife, another of the most commonly used implements for harvesting grain and for general use. One end of the coin was a round ended handle with a hole in the centre to facilitate tying together and the other end a knife blade. This explains why the Chinese character "Li" standing for profit is composed of two characters knife and a grain, and also

has the meaning of sharpness. As time went on, the coin took the form of the round end with the handle omitted. This evolved into the round coin with a square hole, which form has been in use up to the present day. This has been called "Chuan Pi," or spring currency, signifying the resemblance between the currency and the spring water which is supposed to flow continuously without interruption.

As business grew and travelling became more frequent the demand for the medium of exchange increased. Carrying of coins became clumsy and inconvenient, and some substitute had to be sought.

Paper Notes.

It was said in one of the Confucian Classics that as early as the first part of the Chow Dynasty, about 1000 B.C., a kind of currency note consisting of a piece of cloth two inches wide by two feet long, chopped with a Government Seal, was used. Probably this was the earliest form of currency note ever used in China.

But the actual use of the paper note started from "Fei Chuan," or "flying money" of the Tang Dynasty and "chiaoze" of the Sung Dynasty, no sample of which can, however, at present be found.

During the Sung Dynasty notes were extensively printed with no adequate reserve for the issuance. Paper notes were found everywhere, for buying daily necessities, paying taxes, and defraying public expenses, in fact, for all sorts of purposes until the value of notes dropped to about one per cent. The ill effect of the notes, however, did not become serious as the denomination was limited to the "Kwan" or one thousand cash only. During the Chin Dynasty, about the beginning of the thirteenth century notes with denominations such as one hundred, four hundred, one thousand "Kwan," or one million cash, were issued. Ten years later the value of the notes dropped to such an extent that notes with aggregated face value of 120 million "Kwan," or 120 billion cash, were worth only one tael of silver! The modern mark and rouble, therefore, had nothing on China!

Ming Dynasty.

During the Yuan Dynasty, about 1280, a certain amount of reserve was provided for the issue of notes. Consequently the currency system was greatly improved. Toward the end of the Dynasty, however, owing to extensive military operations, so many notes were issued that notes with the face value of 50 taels would not buy ten lbs. of rice.

Very few notes were issued during the Ming Dynasty and the only samples left were printed during the Hung Wu period.

There were no notes issued during

the first part of the Manchurian Dynasty. The military operation against the Tai Ping Rebellion during 1860 necessitated the printing of notes both in tael and in cash. The relative values of the notes were so fixed that 200 cash would be equivalent to one tael in notes. The Government banks at Amoy, Foochow, and Tientsin were first to circulate these notes. Although the notes were supposed to be legal tender, even the Government tax bureaux were unwilling to accept them. Then the Government had to fix a percentage at which the

taxed amount could be paid in notes. Even for this the public did not want to accept notes. Officials tried to doctor the issue and merchants manipulated the exchange of notes to get profit. The value of notes dropped. Foreign merchants on the other hand bought the notes at a great discount to pay the percentage of import taxes allowed by regulation. The Government bureaux had to accept. It was said that, principally through these manipulations, one clerk in the Ministry of Finance, while having an official salary of 80 or 40 taels,

owned property worth 80 to 60 millions!

Squeeze Stopped.

It was not until the Government had bought back the notes at a fixed price that this system of squeeze from these manipulations stopped. Since the introduction of modern banking, more emphasis was laid on the reserve, the printing, and issuance. With the exception of the panic of 1916 the large Government Bank notes were seldom quoted at a discount.

Rotarian Young thanked Mr. Hu in behalf of the Club for his address.

BIRD LIFE.

Hong Kong's Fast Vanishing Fauna.

Every person who has travelled in the British Isles or on the continent of Europe and then visited China and Japan notices the great difference in quantity in the bird fauna. Japan is even worse than China; it is practically destitute of birds. When on a walking tour in Japan extending over twelve days and covering varying types of country the present writer once wrote down a list of all the different species of birds met with. They amounted to sixteen different species and not too many individuals even of those! Shortly afterwards when at home in Ireland a similar test was made: more than thirty species were seen on a single afternoon without moving more than 100 yards from the house.

To persons who have any real interest in nature birds and wild flowers form the great joys of the countryside. Their absence or their disappearance is an unspeakable and irreparable loss. The countryside in China and Japan is in this respect a blank compared with the British Isles.

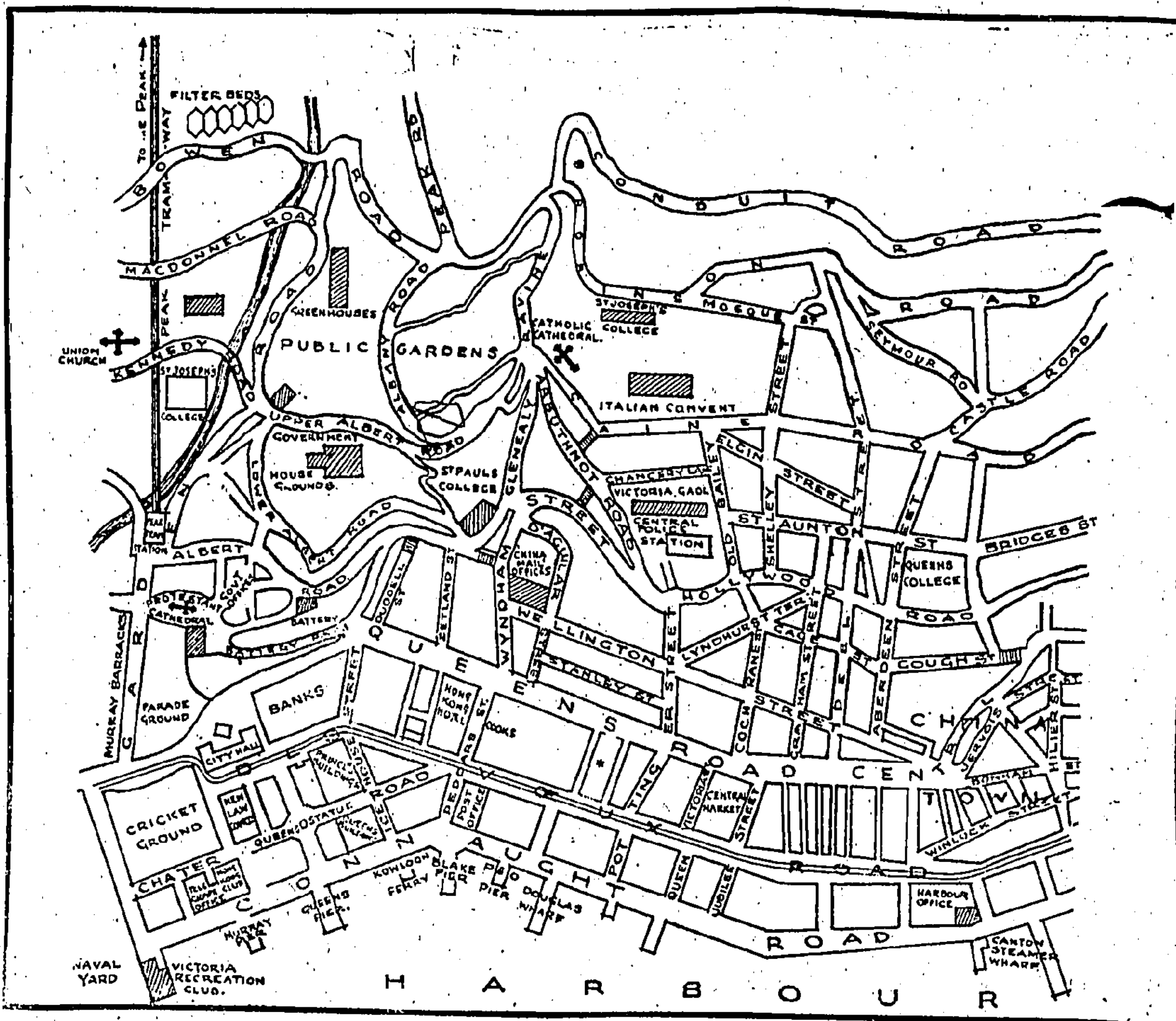
The question naturally arises, what has caused this great disappearance of bird life? And if so, can anything be done to prevent their extermination? It is extremely difficult to say with certainty that any given species of birds is on the decrease. No one really makes a sufficiently careful count of all the species each year to be able to give an absolutely definite answer.

But about Hong Kong and especially in the New Territory there seems to be good evidence that most species are on the decrease. If the bird lover reviews his experiences of the last sixteen or twenty years he must realise the growing scarcity of many species. Ten or fifteen years ago he knew of more places where the beautiful Kingfisher (Halcyon smyrnensis) used to breed regularly; or places where the tailor bird (Sylvia sutoria) was a regular and constant visitor and breeder; or the haunts of the Oriole; or flats where the White Egret was abundant. These birds may be seen still but they seem to be becoming decidedly less abundant.

There are many causes for this gradual disappearance of these and other birds. The Island and the New Territory are being steadily opened up: new road and paths have been constructed, motor-boats, steam launch and motor car have made many places easy of access which, fifteen years ago, were the reward of keen and good

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TOURISTS' MAP OF HONG KONG.



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THE SILK CENTRES.

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D. Chellaram, also in Queen's Road, and its branch store, the Popular Silk Store in Pedder Street, opposite the Hong Kong Hotel have a fine stock of beautiful Chinese shawls which are specially selected by their manager who is a specialist in this line. These shawls comprise a large variety which should satisfy the most exacting purchaser. The same apply to their exquisite Mandarin Coats and Skirts, the famous old style dress of China. Hourli Coats and Japanese Kimonos are also stocked, each beautifully embroidered with elaborate designs too pretty to describe.

Silks are also to be found in these stores in great variety—the best products of Japan, China and India—both in plain colours and printed. Their brocades and crepes are also excellent materials for ladies' dresses, etc.

The Popular Store specialises in ladies' hose and men's socks, while its tailoring department undertakes to execute orders for ladies' dresses and pyjamas, and men's shirts and collars within 24 hours, fit being guaranteed.

Other appealing goods worth examining in these stores are beautiful Egyptian Tapestry and Persian Rugs, as good as any obtainable anywhere else in the East.

POHOOMULL BROS.

This old-established Indian firm, also known as the Grand Silk Store, is situated in Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong's principal shopping thoroughfare for Eastern goods.

Pohoomull's are proud of the fact that they have the best shawls in Hong Kong. This line has been their speciality for a number of years, and in the face of keen competition they have very jealously guarded their reputation for stocking only the best shawls that money could buy.

There is a great variety of pretty colour combinations in the shawls stocked by Pohoomull's, both in figure and flower patterns the most exquisite imaginable. All these shawls are in the very fine short stitches which have made Canton shawls so famous.

Other special lines carried by Pohoomull's are old embroidery and jade goods, including the most perfect strings and prettily designed pendants. They also stock very appealing Hourli Coats, Kimonos and Oriental Silks, suitable for making ladies' dresses, etc., and men's shirts and pyjamas. A tailoring department is maintained which is able to turn out orders within very short notice.

It is of interest to note that they have branches in both Cairo and Upper Egypt as well as in Bombay. In Cairo they are situated opposite Sheppard's Hotel, in Upper Egypt in the Winter Palace Hotel Building, Luxor, and in Bombay in Watson's Annex, Apollo Bunder.

THE BOMBAY STORE.

Famous for its low prices and high quality, the Bombay Silk Store is located in D'Aguiar Street, up the slight incline from Queen's Road.

They give real excellent value in all their goods at the Bombay Store. Their stock, which is second to none in this part of the world, comprise Hourli Coats, Coolie Coats, Mandarin Coats, Embroidered Shawls and Silk Kimonos of very pretty workmanship and designs, and made of the best material obtainable.

Dresses are to be found here in a wide range of choice, as well as pyjamas, shirts and underwears, and if the ready-to-wear ones do not suit you, orders for made-to-measure garments will be accepted for execution within 24 hours.

The Pongee suits made to order by this store are well known for their quality of material plus good fit and stylish cut.

THE LIBERTY STORE.

Also situated on the ground floor of the China Building in Queen's Road, the Liberty Silk Store also goes under the proud designation of the "House of Up-to-Date Stylish Silks," a name which its proprietor, Mr. M. Lokoomull and his staff strive hard to live up to.

They invite inspection of their stock of Indian, Chinese and Japanese silks of all description which compare favourably with those offered anywhere else both in price and quality. Their selection of Hourli Coats is one of the best in the Colony. Shawls, too, are of tip-top quality and designs.

In the matter of dress lengths they have a large variety to choose from, also pyjama suits, underwears, Kimonos, and the latest things in brocades and tissues for shoes as well as for dresses.

They also maintain a highly efficient tailoring department for which no order is too big to undertake at short notice.

THE PIONEER STORE.

The Pioneer Silk Store, to give its full name, is situated on the ground floor of China Building facing Queen's Road.

They have a specially selected stock of exquisitely embroidered shawls and old embroidery which represent real value for money.

Other goods exhibited in great variety of colours and pretty designs are Mandarin Coats and Skirts, Silk Embroidered Kimonos, Hourli Coats, Persian Coats and Happy Coats, all of the very latest styles and especially selected with the greatest care to combine quality with value.

Silk scarves are to be found here in large quantities and colours to suit all tastes. Materials for dresses comprise Japanese, Chinese and Indian silks of very fine texture, brocades, crepes, etc.

At short notice, even within 24 hours, the Pioneer's tailoring department is able to take orders for ladies' silk underwears, men's shirts, pyjamas, etc. Their workmanship and fit is beyond reproach.

THE EASTERN BAZAAR.

A little further down Queen's Road is the Eastern Bazaar, also known as the Oriental Silk Store.

Here they have a fine array of silk shawls which are made in the interior of China and well known for their beauty and fine workmanship. Hourli Coats with fine Batle flower work on either side make them doubly useful, as they can be worn "turned inside out" as it were, and thus worn on different occasions give the impression of different coats.

Pyjama suits and shirts are also stocked, made from all kinds of Indian, Chinese and Japanese silks in stylish designs which give the touch of originality to each garment, thus making it a pleasure to wear them.

In the matter of ladies' dresses, the Eastern Bazaar has some surprise in store for the most exacting lady. They are up-to-date in style and are made of all kinds of materials, such as brocade, silk, silk and gold flouncing, evening dresses of velvet chifon, and other choice materials.

Underwear of new and up-to-date designs have recently been created and have been placed on exhibition.

SWATOW GOODS.

SWATOW TRADING CO.

The Swatow Trading Company, in Pedder Street, is well worth a visit.

They specialise in Swatow Drawnwork which is most appealing and very moderately priced.

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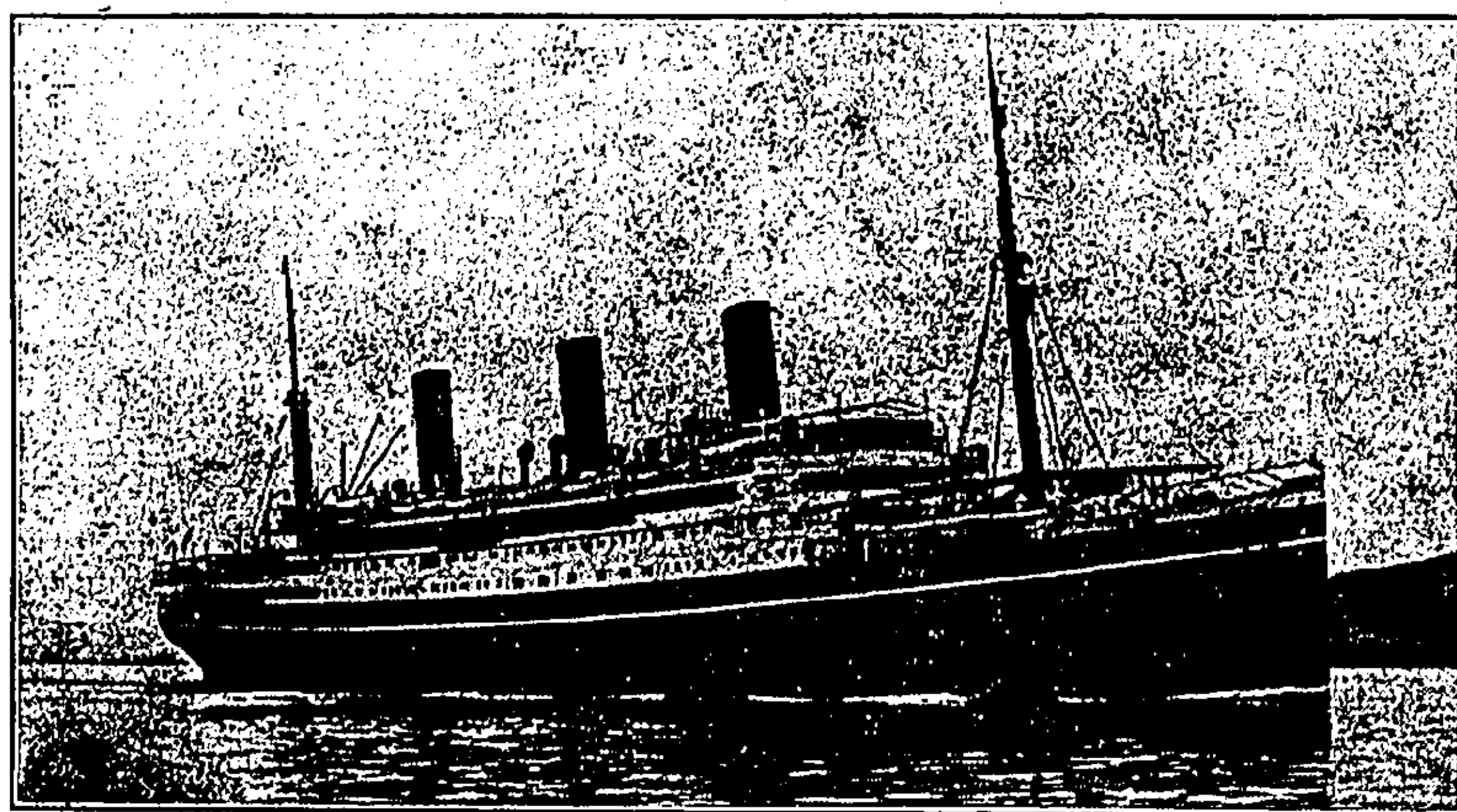
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For acceptable presents to friends back home as a remembrance of your trip, you cannot afford to miss a visit to the China Fancy Goods Company, China Building, entrance on Queen's Road.

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Jewellery in strictly Chinese designs as well as those in foreign patterns are on display in great variety. Take a note of their prices and then try other shops, and it is a bet you will return to Wai Kee's after you have had a chance to make comparisons.

TOBACCOES.

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The Tabaqueria Filipina, the noted smokers' suppliers, is situated in the Asiatic Building opposite the Hong Kong Hotel.

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KOMOR'S.

(Komor & Komor.)

A visit to Komor & Komor's Art gallery is recommended to all visitors to Hong Kong. The establishment is under the management of Mr. Komor, an authority on Chinese and Japanese art who joined the firm (Kuhn & Komor) forty years ago and whose collection is a household word under curio collectors.

The collection on exhibition is the finest in the Far East. You find articles there for prices ranging from one dollar up to thousands of dollars. Every article is marked in plain figures and visitors are always received with courtesy whether they buy or not. Their packing and shipping department guarantees that everything sent by them must arrive at any part of the world in perfect order.

Komor's art gallery is situated near the Hong Kong ferry corner of Chater Road and the first window display draws all day and night big crowds of sight-seers. This firm, established since 1867, is one of the oldest firms in Hong Kong.

The picture shows a self portrait of John Kaneda, one of the most celebrated artists of Japan.

UNIQUE STATUETTE.



Bronze & Ivory Figure of Ishin Kaneda, Exhibited at Komor's Art Gallery.

Kaneda is nearly 80 years of age, and his figure has been adopted as a model for the art association and is now copied by students.

The figure shown in the picture above, is attracting much attention at the salon of Messrs. Komor and Komor. The story connected with it is not without a touch of pathos. Not very long ago, Kaneda decided to create an ivory and bronze figure, which should be a living likeness of himself and his art. The task took a year of patient labour, but when finished, those who know Kaneda, stated that the work was the result of a wonderful inspiration.

At first he refused to part with it, but he was ultimately persuaded that he was healthy and strong enough to make another. The bronze part is cast in a soft mould which can be used three or four times, but the face and hands, which are in ivory have to be carved by hand, a fact which preserves the unique individuality of the two figures which have so far been created.

A jade screen in fine carving, supposed to be of the Ming dynasty, in very fine wood and gold mounting, will be the envy of many visitors who collect works of art. The wonderful silk lacquered Foochow screen will surely be admired by all visitors, and the unique collection of cloisonne and ivory work is worth the visit to this well known establishment.

NEW SIAMESE TWINS.

Doctors Studying Possibility Of Separation.

A Derby woman has given birth to twins who are joined together at the heads.

The doctors in attendance are now experimenting with a view to ascertaining whether the cerebral systems are distinct, and should this be so an operation will be performed for the separation of the pair.

BIRD LIFE.

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pedestrians only. Many of these birds are nervous and shy; the additional traffic and habitation drives them further afield.

But there is far worse than this. The whole territory and the surrounding districts are being shot over to an ever increasing extent. The regular game birds are pursued in season by sportsmen with dogs, etc. This, of course, is only within fixed dates, (except for snipe). But there can be no doubt about the effect this is having on these game birds.

There is even worse than this. It is a pitiable thing to have to say but nevertheless it is true; all sportsmen don't always play the game. Some shoot practically anything that comes their way. Paddy birds, pigeon, etc. are shot and given to the Chinese servants who eat them eagerly. At one shooting expedition in the Philippine Islands at which I was present, wagtails, woodpeckers, sunbirds, and even the wonderful hornbill (Buceros bicornis) were all indiscriminately shot.

In the adjoining country of China no "close season" for birds is observed, nor judging by the disturbed condition of the country, is likely to be observed, for generations to come. At the present rate of extermination China will be as bare of birds as the Sahara desert before any stable and effective wild birds' protection Acts are in force.

What is there then which can be done? Our duty is plain. Hong Kong and the whole New Territory ought to be made an absolute preserve in which no bird of any kind, game bird or other should be shot, trapped, decoyed, or snared. At present Hong Kong and the various Treaty Ports along the China coast are simply dynamic centres of destruction owing to the possibilities of getting cartridges and the precision of the modern shot gun. If the whole New Territory were made an absolute preserve it would be only too small for the salvation of the surrounding district.

If an absolute restriction were put on the destruction of all birds there would be people of course to raise the outcry about the damage birds do, and the danger from birds which are only vermin. This is always exaggerated. Any person who has opened and examined the crops and stomachs of birds knows how hard it is to bring chapter and verse for such an accusation. The magpie, the kite, the sparrow and a few others are local offenders occasionally. They might be left to their natural enemies.

On the other hand the good done by most birds cannot be exaggerated, but, owing to its involved and subtle nature it escapes the notice of all except close observers. Take a local instance. Everybody must have noticed that about 60 per cent. of the lichen crop is every year injured or made useless by a grub which develops in the fruit near the stalk. This is the larva of a fly, probably a *Drosophila*. Perhaps the best local enemy of the fly is the white-eye *Zosterops simplex*. But the Chinese trap so many of these birds that they are becoming more scarce. The bird breeds freely here but every nest is robbed, and Chinese are constantly asking if you know of any nests of the young birds. No species could stand such a drain on its reproductive powers in addition to its host of natural enemies.

Another very useful local bird is the Wa Mei. But again, this is a favourite cage bird of the Chinese, and many are decoyed and ingeniously trapped by them. Their scarcity is largely to blame for the abundance of pestiferous insects of the grass hopper and other families.

Even if the New Territory and adjoining islands were made an absolute close preserve there would always be a certain drain on many species by persons who skillfully evade the clutches of the law—"Yellow Dragon."

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SUDAN WATER.

QUESTION ON AMERICAN CAPITAL.
STATEMENT IN COMMONS.

London, Yesterday.
Replying to a question regarding the construction of a dam and reservoir at Lake Tsana by American capital, Mr. G. Locker-Lampson recalled that the Foreign Secretary had stated last November that no issue had arisen between the British and United States Governments on this subject. Mr. Locker-Lampson added: "I do not conceive it possible that it should give rise to any difference of opinion. There has therefore been no occasion for any exchange of views between the two Governments. The object of the British Government is to get a barrage constructed and worked on sound engineering lines and on conditions satisfactory alike to the Government of Abyssinia and the Government of Sudan and Egypt, our primary interest being to secure additional water for Sudan."—British Wireless Service.

BRITISH LIVES.

PROTECTION NEEDED IN MATAGALPA.

PLANTATION CAPTURED.

Managua, Yesterday.
Mr. Harold Patterson, the British Chargé d'Affaires here, who recently received a letter from the British Vice-Consul at Matagalpa asking for additional protection in coffee plantations there against a feared raid by forces of Sandino, is now informed that the latter has captured Vice-Consul Potter's coffee plantation.
Mr. Patterson conferred with Mr. Eberhardt, the United States Minister, with regard to steps to protect British lives and property in the Matagalpa district.—Reuter's American Service.

GREAT HOAX.

OFFICIAL VIEW OF GLOZEL FINDS.

Paris, Dec. 23.
The violent controversy that has been raging concerning the authenticity of the archaeological discoveries at Glozel near Vichy, ended in a sensational climax to-day.
A commission appointed by the International Institute of Anthropology to investigate the discoveries reported that about 5,000 alleged antique objects in bone, stone, and pottery, some of which contained inscriptions in what was thought to be an unknown language, were practically all fakes, and that the whole affair is a tremendous hoax.

"Planted."

The objects, in the opinion of this commission, of which Miss Garrod, of Oxford, was the English member, were all "planted" at Glozel recently. The commission will stand by this conclusion, says the official report published to-day.
A young farmer named Fredin first discovered the alleged antiquities. Many distinguished French savants claimed that the finds went back to the darkest times of prehistoric ages, but others said that they were the work of Roman times, while others denounced them as fakes.
The dispute became so heated that M. Herriot, Minister of Public Instruction, appointed a commission to superintend the digging. The commission now report that all the alleged antiquities were found in shallow earth, and that the vast majority are of modern origin and have been in the earth only a short time.

BRITISH CONSUL WAYLAIED.

Belgrade, Yesterday.
Bandits waylaid and attacked Mr. J. Purcell, British Consul at Kortschak, Albania, while he was out motoring near Vrochichte on the Serbo-Albanian frontier with an Englishman, Major Barbroock, who is inspector of the Albanian Police. The car was wrecked.—Reuter.

U.S. ARMY FUNDS.

Washington, Yesterday.
The House of representatives has, by 105 votes to 71, rejected the amendment to the Army Appropriation Bill prohibiting Army transportation funds being sent to troops abroad without the specific authority of Congress.—Reuter's American Service.

Doctor V. G. Helser, Associate Director of the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation, and Doctor Paul F. Russell, arrived in Penang from Medan.

V.D.A. GIFT FUND.

CHRISTMAS CHEER FROM HONG KONG.
DISTRIBUTION PARTICULARS.

An appeal for donations to the 1927 Christmas Gift Fund of the Victoria Diocesan Association was made in November and, in addition, personal appeals were also sent out to which there was a very generous response resulting in a total of \$511 and several gifts of toys. The following institutions were helped:—

Hong Kong.

Blind Home, Kowloon City: gifts to 51 blind inmates.
C.M.S. Vernacular Day School: 1,002 children.
Nethersole Hospital: 30 child patients.
Government Civil Hospital: 100 adult and child patients.
Causeway Bay School: 200 children.

Canton.

Piu Tat Women's School: 24 women students.
Tat Fong School: 42 children.
Yeung Ling School: 40 children.

Shanghai.

Shung Tak School: 77 children.
Boys' School: 34 children.
Tai-Leung.
St. Thomas' School: 30 children.

Canton.

Church of Our Saviour Sunday School: 40 children.
St. Hilda's: 87 children.
Two Day Schools: 84 children.

Pakhoi.

Pakhoi School: 120 children.
Lim-Chow: 70 children.
Shuk Long: 36 children.
Cheung Lok: 44 children.
Leng Shuan: 30 children.
C.M.S. Hospital: child and adult patients.

Yunnanfu.

C.M.S. Hospital: 20 children and 40 adult patients.

The thanks of the Committee are due to Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., for the packing cases, also to Messrs. Butterfield & Swire and the Hong Kong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. for shipping the goods free of charge. Thanks are also due to the children who brought toys to the special service held in the Cathedral on V.D.A. Sunday and to St. Peter's Church Group for their gifts of toys. As gifts are now sent to adult patients in hospitals, including the lepers in Pakhoi Hospital, it was decided at a meeting of the Standing Committee held on Dec. 9, 1927, to change the title of this fund from "Xmas Toy Fund" to "Xmas Gifts Fund."

POLICE METHODS.

SOLICITOR'S CRITICISMS IN COURT.

PROSECUTION FAILS.

The case was concluded before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, in which the proprietor of the Nanking boarding house, Connaught Road Central, was summoned for allegedly allowing rooms in the boarding house to be used for an immoral purpose.
Unusual evidence was given by one of the witnesses for the defence who stated that the women who were in the house with the police "decoys" did not look like prostitutes. He was aware of the difference because family women do not indulge in the excessive application of powder on their faces.
Mr. Lindsell decided that the case for the prosecution was not very satisfactory, and the defence had been very strong. In the absence of the two women from the case he found it impossible to convict.

Women of To-day.

Upon the defendant's discharge, Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton asked the Magistrate to make some comment on the Police sending decoys to a respectable boarding house, pointing out that during the last eight years the Police had no occasion to bring any charge against the proprietors. He said that the women were brought to the boarding house by the Police themselves and he informed his Worship of the difficulty the boarding house would have in distinguishing a prostitute from a family woman, adding that in years gone by, no respectable woman would be seen inside a boarding house but that one could not distinguish them now-a-days, as they all dressed, painted, and powdered alike.

Magistrate's Remarks.

Mr. Lindsell remarked that the police could not disclose the reasons for which they acted, adding that he did not know whether in the present case the Police had received information regarding the boarding house.
Mr. Brutton said that there had been no complaint against the boarding house for the past eight years.
The Magistrate observed that if the Police did not have any complaint made to them, he agreed with Mr. Brutton that the laying of this particular form of trap was, in his opinion, undesirable.

BANVARD COMPANY.

REPEAT PERFORMANCE OF "KATJA".
A GREAT SUCCESS.

Once again the Banvard Company delighted an appreciative audience last night in their repeat performance of "Katja the Dancer". Without doubt this Company is one of the finest that has visited this Colony for many years. John Hagen, as Leander Billoroff, kept the audience in constant roars of laughter and Patricia, played by Claire Leslie, was certainly a fine interpretation. Katja Karina (the dancer) was most ably played by Winnifred Dalle. One must mention too the excellent portrayal of their various parts by Elsie Lancaster (Patricia's friend), Frank Atkinson, who made a typical Count in a fiction, William Senior, who filled the part of a tall, handsome, dashing prince, Victor Hagen, the partner of Katja the Dancer whose estates have been confiscated by the prince, and Lew Marks who takes a dual role as the servant of Prince Carl and also as the Chief of Police.

A finer chorus could not be wished for and they ably backed up the major parts. The costumes, too, were excellent. Perhaps the orchestra was not quite up to the high standard of the rest of the performance but, all in all, the presentation of this popular musical comedy was one which will live long in the memory of those who were present.

TOURISTS ARRIVE.



A blonde and a brunette among the happy passengers on the tourist ship "Empress of Australia" which arrived to-day.

APOLOGY TO LONDON

BIG BEN'S FACE FIGHT TO THE END.

Londoners will be pleased to know that no discredit should be attached to that one of Big Ben's four faces that went wrong at Christmas. An explanation has now been given which completely exonerates Face 4, and, indeed, shows it to have displayed pluck and perseverance against heavy odds.

Faces 1, 2, and 3 survived the snowstorm unharmed, but Face 4 was less sheltered, and snow accumulated round the figures 5, 6, and 7. When the hands reached 6.25 they found the snow in their way, but they struggled bravely until they were forced to give up the fight at 6.30.

The police immediately informed Messrs. Dent, the clockmakers, who look after Big Ben. Engineers were on the scene in an hour or two, but owing to the snow on the dial they could not set Face 4 right until early the following morning.
Face 4 begs to state that he is extremely sorry to have let his three brothers and the public down, but will they please to remember that his hands had to spend Christmas lying in a bed of snow!

INSULT AND INJURY.

On a hawk living in Kowloon village, Aberdeen, reported to the police that about midnight three men armed with sticks broke into his house. When he got out of bed to investigate, one of the intruders threw some pepper into his face, some of which entered his eyes. The other two men then wrapped him up in a quilt and dumped him on the bed. The robbers then ransacked the place, and stole clothing and money worth \$25.00.

Three people were drowned in the Hamble River at Bursledon, Hants, when a canoe in which they were being taken to a houseboat moored in midstream capsized. Two of the victims were Dorothy Irene Cullen, 36, wife of a quartermaster on the P. and O. steamer "Malwa," and Peggy Harmon, her 18-year-old daughter.

YEAR OF DEATH.

TEN TITLES BECOME EXTINCT.
DEBRETT ALTERATIONS.

Thirty-seven peers and thirty-one peeresses died during 1927. The year caused more alterations in Debrett, of which the 1928 edition—the 215th year of issue—has just been published, than any of the preceding fifty years.

A contrast is shown by the year 1908, when only twenty-one peers and seven peeresses died. These statistics are found in the preface to Debrett, which states: "It is not often that, in the same year's obituary, the names of both husband and wife appear, but this year's is notable in that it contains names of two peers and their respective wives, Lord and Lady Bearsted and Lord and Lady Oranmore and Browne, of whom the two former died within a few hours of each other and the two latter a few days after one another following a motor accident."

"The death of Sir William Madge, Bt., is also recorded, and his decease was likewise followed by the death of Lady Madge on the day of her husband's funeral."

Debrett's only centenarian died in the person of General Sir George Higginson. Four other knights and three companions each passed their ninetieth year.

Three baronies and seven baronetcies became extinct during 1927, but seven new peers were created and thirteen baronets. No baronies have been called out of abeyance during the year or since 1924.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE MAIL.

To-day—Banvard Musical Comedy Company presents "Mercenary Mary," Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9.15 p.m.

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Gaucho."

To-day—Star Theatre; "The Man Upstairs."

To-day—Musical at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

To-day—World Theatre; "Blarney."

February 11—Concert and dance, Elliot Hall, H.K. University, 8 p.m.

February 12—Star Theatre; "Mantrap."

February 12-13—World Theatre; "Barbara Frietie."

February 12-14—Queen's Theatre; "Two Arabian Knights."

February 14-15—Star Theatre; "He Who Gets Slapped."

February 14-16—World Theatre; "Fascinating Youth."

February 15-18—Queen's Theatre; "The Magic Flame."

February 16-18—Star Theatre; "The Gods."

February 16-18—World Theatre; "Yolanda."

February 25—Craigengower Cricket Club's annual Bachelors' Dance.

Sports.
February 10—Monthly spoon shoot of No. 2 Platoon (H.K.V.D.C.) Rifle Club, Peak Range, 9.30 a.m.

February 13, 14, 15, 18—Hong Kong Jockey Club Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

February 17—Golf Match: Ladies' Bogey Competition at Fanling.

February 25—First Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

Lammert's Auction.
February 10—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, a valuable Collection of Postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

Hughes & Hough's Auction.
March 1—At Auction Room, Ice House Street, valuable leasehold property situate in Peak District, 3 p.m.

Meetings.
February 16—Thirtieth annual meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson, & Co., Ltd., 12.30 p.m.

February 18—Ninth Ordinary Meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., 10, Des Voeux Road Central, 3.30 p.m.

February 21—General Meeting of the Royal Artillery Association, R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks.

February 25—Ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hong Kong & Shanghai Corporation, at City Hall, noon.

Miscellaneous.
February 17—Annual dinner of St. Peter's Young Men's Club at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant.

February 23—Annual Show of flowers and vegetables at Volunteer Headquarters.

March 1—Annual dinner of members of St. David's Society, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8 p.m.

NOTICES.

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RACE MEETING.

ON MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 13th, 14th and 15th February, 1928, all Departments will be CLOSED at 1 p.m.

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included in the issue. Nearly all the speakers, who by virtue
of long experience in this Colony are qualified to give expert
opinions, testify to the wonderful improvement that has been
shown during 1927 and the excellent promise shown for 1928.
What more convincing argument is needed?Advice was sought by people at Home recently as to what
they should do in connection with their investments in Chinese
loans. Much of importance has occurred during the week re-
lating to the visit to Shanghai of the Inspector-General of
Customs, discussion on loan services secured by Customs
surplus and Salt revenue and incidental questions. All mes-
sages on this subject have been reproduced in the "Overland,"
explaining the matter with care and precision.Folks at Home, friends abroad and former residents will
all be interested to know how Hong Kong conducted the Earl
Haig memorial service, what is being said and done by the
Benevolent Society, and how Hong Kong is preparing to cope
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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. A. A. M. Crawford is ap-
pointed a probationer in the Police
Force of Singapore.A report that the Canadian Gov-
ernment has decided to appoint a
Minister in Tokyo has been denied
by the Canadian Premier.At the Kowloon Magistracy yes-
terday, Mr. W. Schofield commit-
ted two men for trial on charges
of being concerned in a robbery
at Tung Tau on January 14.All departments of Messrs. A. S.
Watson & Co., Ltd. will be closed
at 1 p.m. on race days but pre-
scriptions can be dispensed on these
days after closing hours, namely
from 6 to 7.30 p.m.Mr. E. E. F. Pretty, who has
been British Resident at Brunei
since 1923 and has filled that rather
delicate post with success and dis-
tinction, is shortly to be appointed
District Officer at Paris Buntar.That curious freak of naval
architecture, H.M.S. "Hermes,"
which is being refitted at Chatham
preparatory to returning to the
China Station, is the subject of the
page pictorial supplement in "The
Naval and Military Record."Mr. Griggs of the Public Works
Department has reported to the
police the theft from the hillside
near Quarry Bay some time between
midnight and 6 a.m., yesterday, of
400 yards of Government tele-
phone wires.Three Chinese named Man Shi-
sui, Pan Tso and Leung Hoi were
yesterday removed to the Govern-
ment Civil Hospital suffering from
injuries received through a fall
whilst at work in Jardine's sugar
works at Wanchai.A 15-year-old Chinese youth
living on the ground floor of No. 78
Talshek Street, Shaokwan, was
yesterday removed to the Govern-
ment Civil Hospital suffering from
severe injuries to his left hand
which became entangled in a
machine used for grinding floor.Mr. F. H. Geake is an Assistant
Government Analyst for Singapore.Mr. Duncan M. White has been
appointed U.S. Vice-Consul at
Batavia.Mr. A. H. Bassett is going from
Hurstpierpoint College to St.
Andrew's School, Singapore.Mr. F. Th. Feirell, Swedish
Consul-General at Batavia, has re-
turned to his post from leave of
absence.Rev. C. R. Burnett, M.A., C.M.S.,
Missionary at Wei-hai-wei, has
been appointed Vicar of St. Paul's,
Carlisle.Rev. H. J. Hutchinson, from St.
Chad's, West, Bergholt, Essex, is
sailing early in March, with his
wife, to take up duties in Malacca.Francisco A. Lima, Minister
from Ecuador, Central America to
the United States. Dr. Lima has
served as Minister in Guatemala
and Mexico and in 1922 was con-
fidential agent of the Federal Coun-
cil of Central America in Wash-
ington.The War Office on Jan. 3 an-
nounced the appointment of Col.
H. B. H. Orpen-Palmer to be Com-
mandant of the Shanghai Volunteer
Force.Mrs. Aydcough spoke before the
Royal Society of Arts on Jan. 11
on "Court Life in the Tang
Dynasty," illustrated by the "Life
of Tu Fu."Miss Louise Hester Barnes (73),
of Fung Girls' School, Changsha,
Hunan, and late of Hillside Lodge,
Guildford, Surrey, left English
estate of the net value of £1,759.There are many in the Far East,
especially in Hong Kong and
Manila, who will regret to learn of
the death at his home, New Lodge,
Birmam, Dunkeld, in Perthshire, on
Jan. 8, of Mr. John Kennedy, late
manager of the Hong Kong and
Shanghai Bank at Manila. The son
of the late Mr. Robert Kennedy,
Mulrlands, Auchtergaven, Mr.
Kennedy was a member of the Head
Office staff of the Bank at Hong
Kong for a number of years until
his transfer to Manila, where he be-
came manager about 1902.Miss Sharp having resigned from
the position of secretary of the
Singapore Auxiliary Association,
the duties of which she has carried
out with great acceptance to all
concerned, Lt.-Col. Spriggs, 16,
Osborne Road, Farnborough,
Hants, has consented to combine
the office of hon. secretary and
treasurer; while Dr. A. E. O.
Travers, formerly of the F.M.S.,
has been appointed a member of
the committee in Miss Sharp's
place. Miss Sharp was recently
married, and the committee of the
Association sent her a wedding gift.The news of the engagement of
Prince Chichibu, brother of the
Emperor of Japan, to Miss Seto,
daughter of Mr. Matsudaira, Japa-
nese Ambassador to the United
States has aroused the interest in
Japan. It will be recalled that in
December, a year ago, when Prince
Chichibu hurriedly left England for
Japan, he travelled via America, and
during a brief stay in Washington
lived at the home of the Japanese
Ambassador. Miss Seto is per-
fected in all the arts of social cer-
emony. She speaks English, plays
tennis, and is an exceptionally good
dancer.The winner of the Northampton
by-election, Colonel C. L. Strange
Malone, P.R.A.S., is well-known in
certain circles in China and to most
Chinese in Britain. One of the
satellites of the Independent
Labour Party, and only 37 years of
age, he is coming of a Yorkshire
family, and a great-grandson of the
ninth Earl of Scarborough. He
has been successively a Liberal, a
Coalition Liberal, a Communist,
and a Socialist. While a Commu-
nist he was imprisoned for six
months in 1921 for a seditious
speech at the Albert Hall, and was
struck off the O.B.E. register, but
he recanted his Communist views
during the recent election cam-
paign. He was deprived of his
rank as Lieutenant-commander in
the Navy for visiting Soviet Russia
without permission of the Admir-
alty.Mr. W. N. Gourlay has been ap-
pointed Second Magistrate, Singa-
pore, with effect from Jan. 25.Major and the Hon. Mrs. Warner
left London on January 5 for Hong
Kong, where Major Warner will
join the 2nd Battalion Scots
Guards.The forthcoming wedding is an-
nounced of Mr. H. J. Armstrong,
solicitor of Messrs. Deacons, Hong
Kong, to Miss V. J. Thwaites, No.
612 The Peak.The King of Spain has conferred
the Grand Cross of the Order of
Order of Civil Merit on Dr. Aldo
Castellani, Director of Tropical
Medicine at the Royal Institute and
Hospital, Putney, S.W.Lord and Lady Escher are at
Roman Camp, Callander, where
Lady Escher has a curio-shop. Mar-
vellous bits of tapestries and Ming
and Kanghi china are to be met
with in this out-of-the-world spot.The "Daily Mirror" gives a
photograph of the ex-Emperor of
China and the ex-Empress, wearing
the elaborate head-dress of her
former rank, at a party at Tientsin,
where they have taken refuge since
leaving Peking.An Alsatian hound, belonging
to Mr. W. B. White, of No. 8, South
View, Wanchai, on Wednesday bit
a Japanese woman and her son, liv-
ing at the same address. The
animal has since been removed to
Kennedy Town for observation.The Rev. J. H. Edgar, a mission-
ary, who has spent much time in
China, stated in Melbourne that
Europeans are making a fetish of
personal cleanliness. "Excessive
bathing," he said, "is a sign of de-
generacy. The Tibetans, who are
notoriously unclean, are the strong-
est race in the world."Motor car No. 163, whilst endea-
vouring to cross in front of tram
car No. 27, proceeding west along
Des Voeux Road yesterday after-
noon, collided with a tram, with the
result that the front bumper was
wrenched off. The motor car had
no passengers and no other damage
was inflicted to either vehicle.Harvey S. Firestone, one of the
giants in the rubber trade.Rev. Forbes Tocher, to whom the
C.B.E. has just been awarded for
his work in connection with the re-
lease of Captain Lalor, served dur-
ing the war as a private in the
Gordon Highlanders, and subse-
quently as an officer in the Artil-
lery, when he won the M.C. His
patriotic action in returning from
the heart of China at the outbreak
of the war to join up as a private
soldier was mentioned publicly in
the General Assembly of the
Church of Scotland.A Kingston paper reports the
celebration in Hong Kong of a
Kingstonian, Mr. Arthur William
Bliss, who married one of the twin
daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Hopwar
in Hong Kong in 1902. With the
No. 25 Company S.D. Royal Artil-
lery Mr. Bliss went to Singapore
in February, 1895. He was trans-
ferred to Hong Kong in January,
1898. Returning to Singapore in
1901 he was seconded as Sergeant
Instructor to the Malacca Volun-
teers until proceeding to England
in August, 1905. After five years at
home Mr. Bliss returned to the
East in 1911, securing an appoint-
ment with the Hong Kong and
Whampoa Dock Company.The marriage took place at St.
Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, of
Mr. Charles Gordon Osborne, of
Sims, Darby and Co., Singapore,
and Mrs. Hollishead, widow of the
late Captain Hollishead. The
Cathedral was beautifully decorated
and the service was performed by
the Rev. G. T. Shortliffe. The bride
was given away by Mr. J. M. Sims
and was attended by Miss Douglas
as bridesmaid. A reception was
afterwards held at Balclutha, the
home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sims.
Mr. Osborne is well known on the
Singapore amateur stage and among
the presents was one from the
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SPORTS

SHIELD TIES BEGIN.

Seven Matches Down For To-morrow.

LEAGUE LEADERS v. HOLDERS.

Three Good Games in Senior Division.

[By "Rover"]

A very attractive programme of soccer matches has been arranged for to-morrow, the first round of the Hong Kong Shield competition being the big event, with three senior matches and four junior matches. All the ties are of very great interest to local footballers. In addition there are two senior League matches and two junior League matches, full particulars being:—

Shield, Senior division, 1st round, kick-off 4.15 p.m.
Chinese Athletic v. K.O.S.B. Regt., H.K.F.C. ground, Referee, Mr. Barber.
Club de Recreo v. Hong Kong Police, King's Park, Referee, Mr. Hyson.
Royal Artillery v. South China, Sookumpoo, Referee Mr. Willis.
Shield, Junior division, 1st round, kick-off 2.30 p.m.
Royal Artillery v. K.O.S.B. Regt., Sookumpoo, Referee, Mr. Smith.
Chinese Athletic v. South China "B", H.K.F.C. ground, Referee, Mr. Baldwin.
Scott's Guards v. St. Joseph's College "B", Chatham Road, Referee, Mr. Cowan.
St. Joseph's College "A" v. Hong Kong F.C., St. Joseph's ground, Referee, Capt. Austin.
League, Division I, kick-off 4.15 p.m.
Queen's Regt. v. Royal Air Force, Chatham Road, Referee, C.Q.M.S. Hutchings.
Scott's Guards v. Hong Kong F.C., Kowloon A.F.C. ground, Referee, Mr. Phillips.
League, Division II (Section B), kick-off 2.30 p.m.
Kung Woo v. Moslems, King's Park, Referee, Mr. Stokes.
S.C.A.A. Boy Scouts v. Kowloon F.C., South China ground, Referee, Mr. Lamb.
Friendly Match, kick-off 2.30 p.m.
Kowloon F.C. v. Tourist XI, Kowloon A.F.C. ground.

Both in quantity and quality, to-morrow's programme provides a feast for local football fans; the Shield competitions claim precedence and the ties are of great interest.

The match of the day is on the H.K.F.C. ground where the Borderers (holders), at present playing in great form, will meet the hitherto invincible league leaders, Chinese Athletic, and this will be a great match. Although the Athletic won on the last occasion of meeting by two clear goals, they will need to pull out a bit of their very best to beat the Regiment on present form. If the Borderers can hold the Chinese left wing, and if Alexander and McGlinchey can beat Leung Yuk-tong, the Borderers will win, but these are big ifs and these men will decide the result.

The R.A. if Leach can be spared from his cricket engagements, should beat South China with a bit in hand, and R.A. want watching, but only football can beat the South China XI, as they possess good kickers and spoilers, but the R.A. should get home if they play the game they have been playing in recent matches.

At King's Park there will be a big tussle, and the Police at full strength should be just a wee bit too good for Recreo. The Police can field a very strong side just now and are always good triers, and even allowing of the advantage of ground which Gosano and his team will possess, I think the Police will not lose, especially if the Police can get goals, as their defence is second to none. This is the big game at Kowloon and should provide a thrilling contest to combat even the present Hong Kong cold snap. The stand will be full long before the kick-off and a great match should be the reward.

Amongst the juniors, the Shield competition is made more interesting by the entry of reserve teams from the Scots Guards and Queen's Regiment both good sporting Regimental sides, and the match of the day is at Sookumpoo where the R.A. Reserves, who are showing fine form at present, will fully extend the hitherto unbeaten K.O.S.B. Reserves. The other ties should result in wins for Chinese Athletic, Scots Guards, and St. Joseph's "A" although the Club Reserves are making a big effort to secure entry into the second round of the competition.

TRIBUTE TO DEANE.

SOUTH AFRICA'S CRICKET CAPTAIN.

London, Yesterday.
The South Africans' sensational cricket victory yesterday in the final Test Match is the subject of glowing tributes in the English Press, and it is generally agreed that although the honours of the rubber are even, South Africa in the end asserted a definite supremacy over her opponents.
The enterprising leadership of the South African captain, Deane, is warmly praised. Never before has a captain won the toss and sent in his rivals to bat on three successive occasions, and the result of the final match completely justified his confidence in declaring South Africa's first innings close with a surplus of only 49 runs.
The newspapers believe that South Africa's dashing recovery in the last three matches will have a wholesome effect on cricket everywhere.—British Wireless Service.

RACE MEETINGS.

PROGRAMME FOR FIRST "EXTRA."

MACAO ON MARCH 4.

The programme for the Hong Kong Jockey Club's 1st extra race meeting of the season on Feb. 25 is as follows:—

1.—2 p.m., Happy Valley Handicap: "A" Class: Six furlongs.—For China ponies.
2.—February Stakes: Five furlongs.—For China ponies, subscription griffins of this Club of this season, non-winners, whether starters or not. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey allowance.
3.—Happy Valley Handicap: "B" Class: Six furlongs.—For China ponies.
4.—First Extra Meeting Stakes: One mile.—For all China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of a race this year value \$750 or over, 5 lbs. penalty. Subscription griffins of this Club of this season allowed 5 lbs. Jockey allowance.
5.—Happy Valley Handicap: "C" Class: Six furlongs.—For China ponies.
6.—Aberdeen Plate: One mile.—For China ponies, griffins of this season, non-winners, whether starters or not. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey allowance.
7.—Stanley Stakes: One mile.—For China ponies, subscription griffins of this Club of this season. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one race 5 lbs. extra, of two races 7 lbs. extra, of three or more races 10 lbs. extra. Jockey allowance.
8.—Wanchai Handicap: "A" Class: 1 1/4 miles.—For China ponies.
9.—Wanchai Handicap: "A" Class: 1 1/4 miles.—For China ponies.

MACAO RACE CLUB.

The Macao Race Club has provisionally fixed Sunday, March 4, for their next meeting. The programme is as follows:—
1.—The Sun Nien Plate: 3/4 mile.—For non-winning ponies of

the 5th Extra Meeting, December 11, 1927. Weight for inches as per scale. (Jockey allowance).

2.—The Chun Chit Plate: Half a mile.—For unplaced ponies of the 5th Extra Meeting, December 11, 1927. Weight for inches as per scale.

3.—The Sun Chun Plate: Seven furlongs.—For subscription griffins of 1928 of Hong Kong Jockey Club that have been unplaced since February 13, 1928. Weight for inches as per scale.

4.—The Lit Chun Plate: One mile.—For all China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners, since January 1, 1928, of one race 5 lbs. extra; of two or more races 7 lbs. extra. Classic winner since January 1, 1928, barred.

5.—The Chun Fun Plate: Once round.—For all non-winning ponies since September 1, 1927. Weight for inches as per scale.

6.—The Yuen Siu Plate: Nine furlongs.—For all China ponies that have started since January 13, 1928, and not been placed. Weight for inches as per scale.

7.—The Shang Yuen Plate: 1 1/4 miles.—For all China ponies that have not won more than three races during 1927. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one race, 3 lbs. extra; of two races, 5 lbs. extra; of three races 7 lbs. extra.

8.—The Ching Ming Plate: Half a mile.—For unplaced ponies of this meeting. A forced entry of \$5. Weight for inches as per scale.

NEW RECORD.

London, Yesterday.
A new record at Saint Moritz was created by Lord Northesk yesterday, who accomplished a full length run of 1,320 yards in a Bodysleigh race in 55.5 seconds. During the day he did three runs in less than a minute each.—British Wireless Service.

FANLING HUNT.

The Fanling Hunt will meet this Sunday at 8 a.m. instead of 7 a.m. as announced, at Sheung Shiu Police Station.

REAL CHAMPIONS.

TAP-AND-RUN BOXERS NOT POPULAR.

ONE KIND OF POPULARITY.

There's only one kind of a popular champion—the fellow who fights.

Little Terry McGovern was the most popular feather-weight of the world ever looked at. Terry never stepped back. He always rushed forward. For years he knocked out practically all his opponents. His fights were startling and sensational. He was the only fighter of his weight who classed with the big fellows in drawing power. Because "Terrible Terry" delivered the goods every time he stepped into a ring.

Extreme caution, ability to jig lightly out of danger, to dodge and clinch and wrestle and stall, and to fight only in streaks when it seems safe to fight, may prove that the bird who does it is a smart business man, but it doesn't catch the fancy of the crowd.

Corbett & Ketchel.

Young Corbett, of Denver, who eventually knocked out "Terrible Terry" was another knocked-out artist, and extremely popular in his day, says Robert Edgren, the famous American writer.

Stanley Ketchel, the greatest middle-weight after Bob Fitzsimmons, probably never ran a step backward in his life. He ran forward.

"I'll never forget the night in Philadelphia when Stanley fought the great Sam Langford, one of the finest fighting heavy-weights of them all, who could easily be heavy-weight champion if fighting to-day.

When Fitz Was Dangerous

Bob Fitzsimmons was the superlative master of fighting men. Weighing only 156 pounds, he knocked out Corbett, the heavy-weight champion. Fitzsimmons was thought to have a trick of stalling in many of his fights against bigger men. He was said to have been most dangerous when apparently almost out.

When the gigantic Jeffries knocked Bob flat on his back in the second round of their first fight Fitz got up in time to avoid being counted

out. He didn't run around the ring to recover.

He jumped at Jeffries and cut loose with the most furious attack in any fight. He gave Jeffries a furious fight for eleven rounds, and was knocked out. But Jeffries would have knocked out any man living that night.

"Jeff" and Dempsey.
Jim Jeffries was probably the greatest of all heavy-weight champions. He was stronger than any other fighter, weighed 220 pounds in condition, was fast as a middle-weight could box, and could hit as hard as anyone. While not furiously aggressive he had plenty of courage.

He never ran from an opponent. He wouldn't step back even in the second fight with Fitz when Jeffries had both eyes nearly closed, both ears nearly torn off, his teeth loosened, his nose flattened, and one cheek bone fractured before he knocked Fitz out.

While fighting his way up, and as champion, Dempsey was reckless and furiously aggressive. He never ran from anybody, never went back unless he was driven back by punches, and then he leaped in against the blows as he did with Firpo, trying to "get started" and fight again.

Sprinting or Fighting?

It was a spectacular champion. I think that if he had been a little wiser, and had followed his own inclinations instead of being influenced by Kearns in wartime, he would have been the most popular of all champions. He certainly had "colour."

It may be that we are becoming so intellectual that we prefer sprinting to fighting, the deft and innocuous jab to the "sock" or the "wallop." But I doubt it. After each clever boxing champion there's always a hard-slugging fellow who comes along when people are tired of boxing and gets all the glory.

There may be a Sullivan or a Jeffries in next year's crop. Sometimes they come up with a rush.

Nellie Hogg, the swimming teacher under the Edinburgh Education Authority, was the recipient of a handsome presentation from the Heart of Midlothian S.C. for the splendid services she has given to the club.

EXCHANGE.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London	
Bank wire	2/- 1/2
Bank on demand	2/- 3/16
Bank 30 days' sight	2/-
Bank 4 months' sight	2/- 1/4
Credit 4 months' sight	2/1 1/2
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/1 1/2
On Paris	
On demand	1245
Credit 4 months' sight	1820
On Berlin	
On demand	—
On New York	
On demand	40 1/2
Credit 60 days' sight	50 1/2
On Bombay	
On demand	134 1/2
Wire	134 1/2
On Calcutta	
Wire	134 1/2
On demand	134 1/2
On Singapore	
On demand	80
On Manila	
On demand	98 1/2
On Shanghai	
On demand	78 1/2
30 day's sight (private paper)	—
On Yokohama	
On demand	104
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.60
Silver (per oz.)	26 1/4
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	—
Kong	3% prem.
Chinese Copper Cash nom.	—
Chinese Copper Cents 6% prem	—
Rate of Native In-	—
Forest	—
Chinese Sub. Coin	7% p.a.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	29 1/2 % dis.
LONDON EXCHANGES.	
London, Yesterday.	
Paris	124
New York	487 7/32
Brussels	84.00
Geneva	25.33
Amsterdam	12.10 1/4
Milan	92.05
Berlin	20.43
Stockholm	18.15
Copenhagen	18.20
Oslo	18.31 1/4
Vienna	34.59 1/2
Prague	164 1/4
Helsingfors	138 1/2
Madrid	28.66
Lisbon	2/5 1/16
Athens	807 1/2
Bucharest	702 1/2
Rio	5 59/64
Buenos Aires	47 1/2
Bombay	1/5 31/32
Shanghai	2/7 1/2
Hong Kong	2/0 7/16
Yokohama	1/11 6/32
Silver Spot	26 1/4
Silver Forward	26 3/16
THE SHARE MARKET.	
Hong Kong	
Stock	
Exchange	
T.T. on London	2/- 1/4
T.T. on Shanghai	78 1/2
Bank	
Hongkong Bank	\$1245 b 1240 ss
Chartered Bank	\$121 1/2 b
Mercantile A. & B.	\$124 b
do. C.	\$114 n
P. & O. Bank	\$110 n
Bank of East Asia	\$73 1/2 b
Insurance	
Canton Insurance	\$817 1/4 b
Union Insurance	\$805 b
North China Insurance	\$143 b
Yangtze Insurance	\$M.840 1/2 b
China Underwriters	\$12 1/4 b
China Fire Insurance	\$1215 n
H.K. Fire Insurance	\$885 b 690 ss
Shipping	
Douglases	\$42 b
H.K. Steamboats	\$23 1/2 b
M.K. Tugs & Lighters	\$24 b 2.80 s
Indo-China (Freight)	\$38 n
do. (Def.)	\$40 n
Shell Transport	\$5 n
Water-boat	\$17 xd b
Mining	
Benguet	\$2 1/4 n
Kailan Mining Ad.	\$4 1/4 n
Langkats (Combined)	\$13 1/2 n
do. (Single)	\$13 n
Shanghai Exploration	\$2.85 n
Shanghai Loans	\$3.10 n
Raub	\$4 1/4 n
Tronoh Mines	\$17 1/8 n
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.	
H.K. & W. Docks	\$135 b
H.K. & W. Docks	\$47 1/2 b
China Providents	\$3 b 6.10 ss
Hongkwa	\$163 b
New Engineering	\$5 b
Shanghai Docks	\$97 b
Cotton Mills	
Ewo Cottons	\$7.55 n
Oriental Cottons	\$2 b
Shal Cottons (Old)	\$48 b
do. (new)	\$72 1/2 b
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Shanghai Lands	\$1.33 b
Humphreys Estates	\$14 1/4 b xd
Hongkong Realities	\$8.90 b
H.K. Territorials	\$1 s
Prize's Buildings	—
Public Utilities	
H.K. Tramways	\$27 n
Peak Trams (old)	\$14 n
do. (new)	\$6 1/4 n
Star Ferries	\$7 b 87 1/2 ss
China Lights (comb.)	\$17.85 n
do. (old)	\$15 n
do. (new)	\$9 1/4 n
H.K. Electric	\$71 b 72 1/2 ss
do. (new)	\$71 1/2/72 1/2 ss
Macao Electric	\$21 b x Rtn.
H.K. Telephones	\$4.40/4.30 ss
China Buses	\$7 1/2 n
Singapore Tractions	\$1 1/8 n
Industrial	
China Sugars	\$9 1/4 b
Malabon Sugars	\$27 1/4 n
Canton Ices	\$4 b 4 1/4 ss
Cementa (comb.)	\$1.40 n
do. (old)	\$1.40 n
do. (new)	\$1 1/4 n
H.K. Ropes (old)	\$3.80 b
do. (new)	\$3.90 b 3.95 ss
United Asbestos	\$10 s
Stores, &c.	
Dairy Farms	\$18 b & ss
Watsons	\$12.80 b
Der A. Wings	\$3 s
Jane, Crawfords	\$3.10 s
MacIntosh	\$22 s
Sincere	\$9 s
Wm. Powell	\$5 n
Miscellaneous	
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sides which will represent them in the second round of the Hong Kong Shield.

In the Junior League section "B", Kung Woo and the Chinese Boy Scouts should both win.

Kowloon will probably play a friendly match with a selected side arranged for the day, prior to the Guards v. Club game, and with a view to fielding a strong Shield XI, will make one or two experiments. Kowloon, following a very moderate start, is gradually building up a good side and progress is being watched with considerable interest.

"BELGENLANDS" OPPONENTS.

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon F.C. Reserves a "Belgenland" soccer team to-morrow, at Kowloon, kick-off at 2.30 p.m.:—Slipper; Guest, Pasco; R. borta, Bliss, Blacklock; Pile, Dunnett, Sparry, Miles, Eastman. Reserves: V. Hast, F. Nicholls.

TO-MORROW'S CRICKET.

Some of to-morrow's cricket teams (matches start at 2 p.m.) will be:—

Hong Kong C.C. 1st XI (away) v. Royal Navy (friendly):—H. R. B. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, A. W. Hayward, D. W. Leach, C. D. Wales, R. W. Lee, O. Moor, A. Reid, H. J. Armstrong, W. K. Tai, Rev. E. K. Quick.

Hong Kong C.C. 2nd XI (home) v. Garrison 2nd XI (friendly):—W. Brackenridge, J. R. Collis, H. Griffin, H. Hampton, J. E. Hancock, C. P. James, S. J. Jordain, G. D. Mead, A. H. Penn, W. L. Smith, H. V. Parker.

Club de Recreo (home) v. Royal Army Ordnance Corps (League, division II):—H. A. Alves (captain), H. M. Xavier, R. C. Reed, H. A. Barros, C. M. Sousa, J. L. Gutierrez, D. P. Xavier, E. de Sousa, D. F. Lopes, F. H. Carvalho.

University 1st XI (home) v. Kowloon C.C. 1st XI (senior league):—C. W. Lam (captain), A. A. Rumjahn, S. V. Gittins, Dr. D. K. Samy, Dr. D. Laing, W. Hong Sling, J. Barrow, A. P. Gutierrez, F. I. Zimmerman, E. A. Lee, A. T. Lee.

CRICKET LEAGUE XI.

The following will represent the Cricket League on Sunday, at 11 a.m. on the Civil Service C.C. ground, v. Combined schools:—R. Hancock (captain), G. R. Sayer, Lt.-Com. A. P. Shaw, R. N., A. Hamson, S. A. Ismail, C. Choa, W. C. Hung, E. F. Fincher, F. Zimmerman, A. R. Minu, S. Kermani.



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MUSIC IN BRITAIN.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY
ACTIVITIES.

(By Dr. W. G. Whitaker, of Newcastle-on-Tyne.)
To the average man, the most ideal musical post is that of organist of a cathedral. To spend one's days in a peaceful, sequestered city, with many hours every day in "cloistered aisles," to make religious music to wait its mysterious way through the lofty heights of a building hallowed by historical associations of centuries, appears on the surface to be a life free from the worries which beset the ordinary mortal.

But the position is not so attractive in actuality as it might seem. The routine is considerable; the endless training of choir-boys, the perpetual drilling of them in matters which through years of repetition, are apt to become stale, the difficulty of finding a sufficient incentive to keep fresh one's own attitude and that of one's singers towards services which are held at least twice a day throughout the year, may not appear onerous, but they are severe tests of character.

Nothing is so easy as to degenerate into a slack way and let everything slide. This is all the more tempting in small towns, where, on many occasions, there may not be more than one or two old ladies at matins, and perhaps an occasional outsider at evensong. Another thing is that salaries do not err on the side of excess. In the findings of recent ecclesiastical commissions, for example, the report on one cathedral recommended that the salaries of the canons be increased to £800 per annum, and that of the organist to £350!

It might be argued that the organist has other sources of income, but so have many of the clergy. The average organist, who is often a much more distinguished man than his clerical superiors, has to work hard in many directions to ensure a livelihood much less adequate than that of the canons, and, moreover, has always a great many honorary duties, which always fall to the lot of the principal musician—conductor of choral societies, orchestral societies, diocesan festivals, and adviser to this, that, or the other body. It generally means that he lives a very crowded life, and that material gains are few.

Not Many Prizes.

Then it is frequently found that the cleric is little better than the ordinary mortal. In a cathedral appointment, dean and chapter are masters of the situation. The organist has no appeal beyond them, and if friction arises between him and his superiors his position is not at all enviable. Cathedral appointments are few, and do not often fall vacant.

A man desiring a change may wait years before a suitable opportunity offers itself. If he gives up his appointment and goes into private work there is a considerable sacrifice of income. Altogether, a man in this position, without sympathy from his overseers, is to be pitied. He is so little his own master that the music to be performed is chosen, not by himself, but by the precentor, who may, or may not, have much musical knowledge.

It is an extraordinary survival of medieval customs, and one wonders why it lingers on to-day, why a man of eminence in his own profession should be appointed to take charge of the music, and that someone else should be ordained to select it. A musician's interest in his post is bound to be minimised severely by such an artistic serfdom. At present there are only two ways of counteracting it. One has been adopted at Norwich, where the precentorship was given to the organist, Dr. Frank Bates. So far as I know, this is the only case of a layman in such a position.

The other way partially the result of smallness of salary, is that the combined posts of organist and precentor are filled by a cleric. This is certainly a practice to be deprecated. Settled posts available for musicians are few enough without their being lessened in number by being given to amateurs, to men who have ostensibly adopted another profession.

New Type And Old.

Time was when the cathedral organist was generally looked upon by the active musician in the larger cities as an old fossil, quite out of date, immersed in his choir-boys, his services, his anthems, and his

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HOW THEY SPEND MONEY IN
HOLLYWOOD.

This isn't a competition. It is a little story told by Douglas Furber, writer of the libretti of many successful revues and musical shows, and lately turned film writer as well.

Mr. Furber was in Hollywood with a Charlot revue. The Metro people had a story in the making with a woman lawyer and a man lawyer in it. These two were at loggerheads, although in love, because neither would give up the profession.

The film people knew that they wanted some riding, swimming and tennis scenes in the picture, and that they wanted a final sensation. And there they stuck. They asked Mr. Furber what he thought about it.

He pondered a few minutes and then said: "Why not turn it into a competition? Add another sport. Finish up with a trial scene in which they are opposing counsel, and let the one who loses three events out of the five give way to the other, so that they can live happy ever after."

"That suggestion got me my contract," Mr. Furber told me. "Of course, anyone could have thought of it, but the film people's attitude seems to be: We can afford to pay a chap like that a thousand dollars a week, because one day he will probably give us an idea that will be worth a million."

"It's extraordinary how money is paid in Hollywood—out of all proportion to the value of a man's talent"—a modest remark from Mr. Furber, you will agree.

chants, without much connection with the outer world of music. We have known them in our time, and while they were dear old gentlemen, they did not count for very much, although occasionally they acted as a drag upon the wheel in the neighbourhood.

I have already mentioned one of the older generation who is as much up-to-date as many a man less than half his age. But, in truth must it be said, he is an exception. The newer type of cathedral organist is a very different man from the kind which is fast disappearing. He is well-educated, musically and otherwise, able out of his organ-loft, and active in his connection with musical institutions of the district—festivals, competitions, choral and orchestral societies, all sorts of things come under his sway.

Increased travelling facilities make it possible for him to extend his circle of influence enormously. The example set by one of the middle-aged men, Dr. Baird, of York, who has the finest cathedral service in England, which means in the world, and whose activities in other directions are a shining light, is being followed by many of the younger men. One thinks of Dr. Hull, of Hereford, or Hylton Stewart, of Rochester, just to mention two. There is an upward tendency in the dignity of the music chosen, the standard of performance and general breadth of outlook. It is a welcome sign, and is influencing parish churches far and wide.

The Abbey Organist.

The most important post of this sort, one really of imperial significance, Westminster Abbey, has just been filled. Even more than St. Paul's Westminster is the religious centre of London and the Empire. There is never a day in the year when visitors from all over the world are not present. Many a foreign visitor judges English music solely by what he hears in the Abbey.

The man to be chosen is Dr. Ernest Bullock, of Exeter Cathedral, and no happier selection could have been made. Thoroughly equipped on the technical side, he is a brilliant organist, a fine choir-trainer, was a Bachelor of Music at 18, and Doctor at 24. His compositions are fresh and original; his church music, in particular, sounds a deep and true note. He has the right flair for all that is good in a cathedral service, and, moreover, is a man of strong personality and infectious energy, he is wide of outlook, and has the highest ideals. It is no small matter to be in the direct line of descent from Henry Furcell, but no young English musician could have been chosen more worthy of the post than my friend Ernest Bullock.

FILM ACTORS.

WHERE ARE THE NEW
STARS?

That excellent authority on all matters pertaining to the motion picture, the "Morning Post" Film Critic, has in an admirable book most carefully analysed the first causes of America's success in the film industry; and it must be a matter for astonishment to any who examine very closely the position in which the British film stands that we have lagged so far behind.

There has been, of course, a great deal of propaganda against the British film; but, contrary to the ideas of those who believe that enormous sums of money are being paid by sinister corporations to discourage the British film industry, the real and the most deadly propagandists have been the cinema-going public; and that they have had perfect justification for their criticism and censure nobody can deny.

I have seen a great deal of the inside of motion picture production in the past fourteen years. I am probably the only author who can say that he has had about twenty pictures produced on the screen and has seen only one of them! I have attempted to see many, but they have been so "hot-making" that I have never had Mr. Brill's courage.

Turning to the Stage.

My excuse for dealing with the film in this column at all is because I am rather concerned with that unknown quantity, the British film actor. Hitherto, in this country, we have followed the easiest way, and the easiest way in casting a film play is to go to the stage. We are still going to the stage for our screen material, depending rather upon the names and publicity value of the actors and actresses than upon their screen quality; and I think that the present method has to be very considerably modified if there is to be any hope for the cinema industry in England.

That we should have gone to the stage at all is proof positive of the incompetence of the average English screen director. During the years that we have been struggling along in this country only one or two screen stars have been created; and we must suppose it is because we have lacked the genius, the industry, and the patience to take from the enormous mass of material, the unknown Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks with whom we rub elbows in the street, and bring them to perfection.

I have a suspicion, too, that a very large number of the men who masquerade as producers have little or no knowledge of the technique of film acting, or, indeed, of any kind of acting, and that they rely upon the stage technique of the actors and actresses they engage, often at fabulous figures, for the pictures.

The direct consequence has been an orgy of over-acting, which has come to be regarded in America and Germany as typical of English screen technique. On the stage, where fluency of movement and expression are only possible in an intimate theatre, and most impossible when the man sitting in the back row of the gallery has to be convinced and impressed, exaggerations of gesture and of facial play are not only permissible but are vitally necessary. On the screen the life or fall of an eyelid, a look, an almost imperceptible grimace, replace the broader expressions of the stage.

The Hard-Bolled Actor.

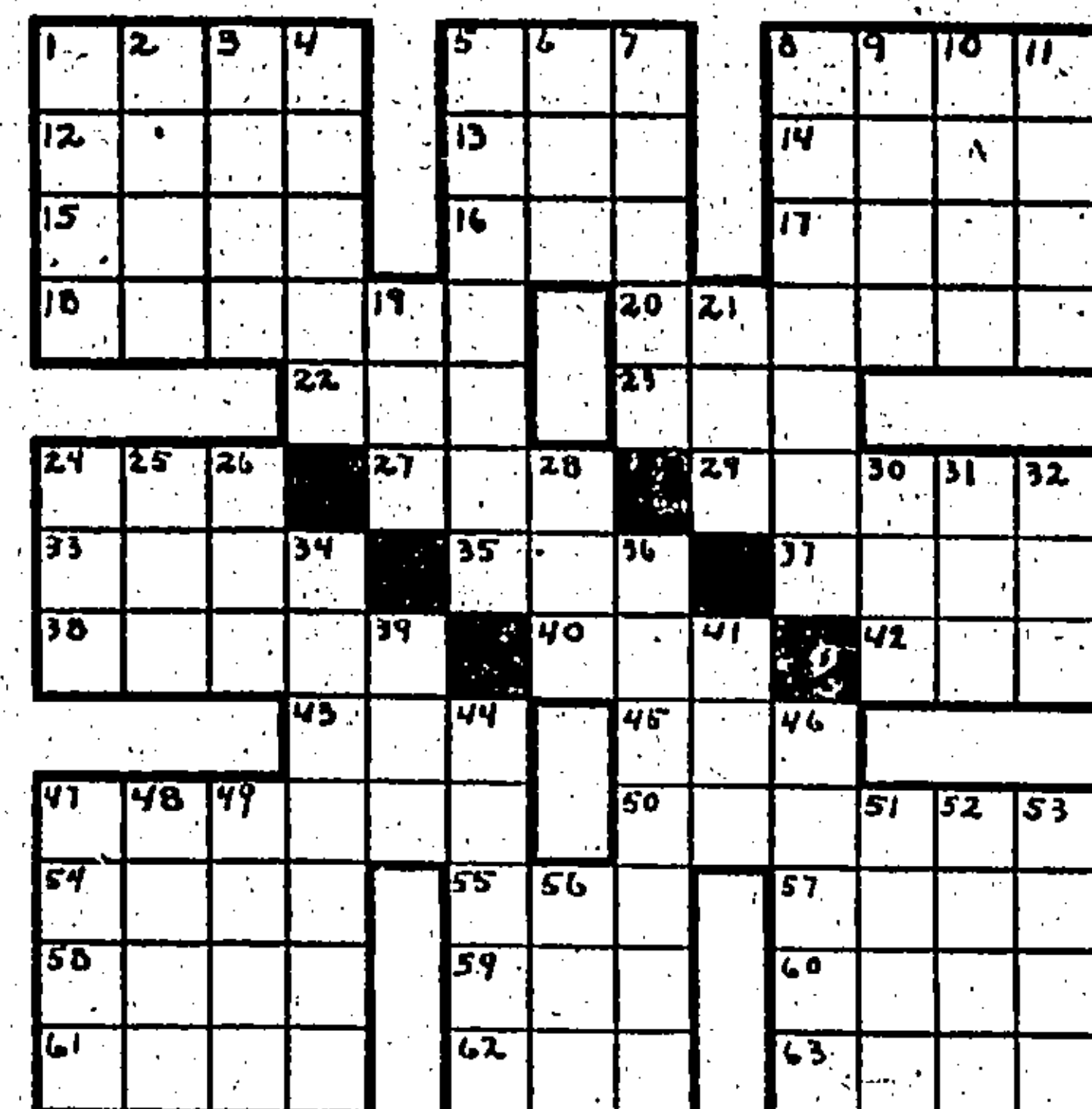
There are producers and Sir Gerald du Maurier is a remarkable example who insist upon repose, and who can, by their genius and their flair for conveying thought across the footlights, obtain extraordinarily telling results from the smallest causes. But such producers are few and far between, and the average actor and actress is trained in quite another school.

A great American producer told me that the hardest thing in the world was to "un-teach" the hard-bolled actor; and we have little evidence that the directors of English film plays have made any effort to "un-teach" the ladies and gentlemen of the profession who have starred in film productions.

Although we have on the stage men and women capable of attaining to success in a new sphere, there is a great deal to be done before they can reach the perfection of their American and German rivals. I pointed out some time ago in the "Morning Post" how indus-

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1-For fear that
- 5-Peer into
- 8-Food (slang)
- 12-Always
- 13-Sheltered side
- 14-A flower
- 15-A number
- 16-Girl's name
- 17-Nautical term
- 18-Changes
- 20-Allude
- 22-Reclined
- 23-Man's name (shortened)
- 24-Small cushion
- 27-Write
- 28-Reimburses
- 33-Old
- 35-Quarrel
- 37-Extreme
- 38-Not so high
- 40-Moist
- 42-Exclusive of
- 43-Headwear

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 45-Tune
- 47-Water nymph
- 50-School book
- 54-Amphibian
- 55-Man's name (shortened)
- 57-Heart
- 58-Egg on
- 59-Automobile
- 60-Dash
- 61-Girl's name (short)
- 62-Possessive
- 63-Relaxation

VERTICAL

- 1-Girl's name
- 2-Bad
- 3-Transmitted
- 4-Forst growth (pl.)
- 8-Lime and sand mixture
- 9-Color
- 7-Long for
- 8-Incorporated
- 9-Part

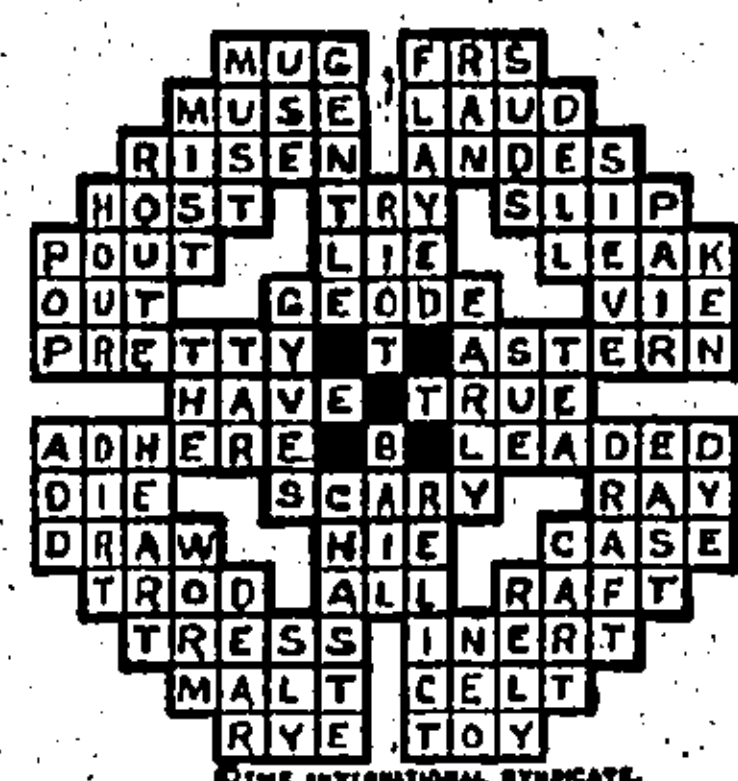
VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 10-Employer
- 11-Stinging insect (pl.)
- 19-Tap
- 21-Organ of the head
- 24-Comrade
- 25-Past
- 26-Molture
- 28-At present
- 30-Fasten
- 31-Exit
- 32-Still
- 34-Concludes
- 35-Urger of apparel
- 37-Rednet
- 41-Fasten
- 44-A fruit
- 45-Runner
- 47-To strike against a low obstruction
- 49-Minute orifice
- 49-Tatters
- 51-Mate out sparingly
- 52-Parlous
- 53-Tear
- 56-Sheep talk

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



large salaries, but the name and the familiar features of the cinema star are not only great assets to the company which exploits them, but are also assets to the nation.

It is a hard task to "break into" pictures, and there must be thousands of young men and women in England who despair of ever getting to the stage of a film test. The producing industry is so ill-organized, and our methods are so obvious and stereotyped, that the budding Pickfords have little or no chance of showing what they are worth.

Half-hearted efforts are made from time to time, by means of "beauty competitions," to secure new faces; but I have the impression that the judges of these competitions are largely influenced by the memories of the florid barnmaids of their youth. Not so many years ago, there was hardly an English film, which did not have amongst the more prominent members of its cast the wife or some other relation of the producer, or some especial friend of a director of the company.

We have suffered from this "playing of favourites"; and the hasty selection of stage stars has not yet repaired the damage. We have to find new blood; and, at the risk of being inundated with photographs of screen-struck servant girls, I intend making an effort to comb England for beauty and talent in the New Year. Edgar Wallace in "Morning Post."

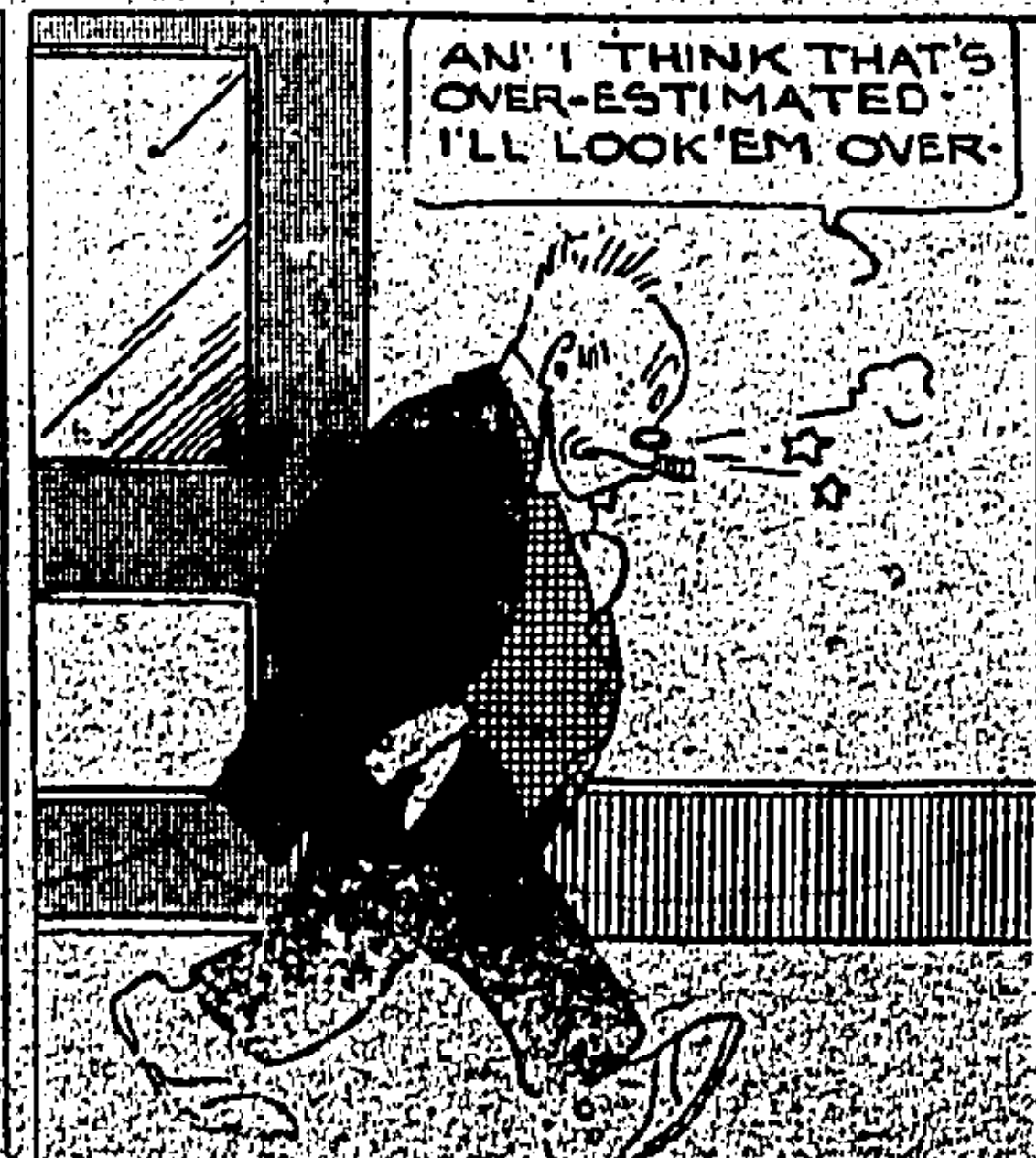
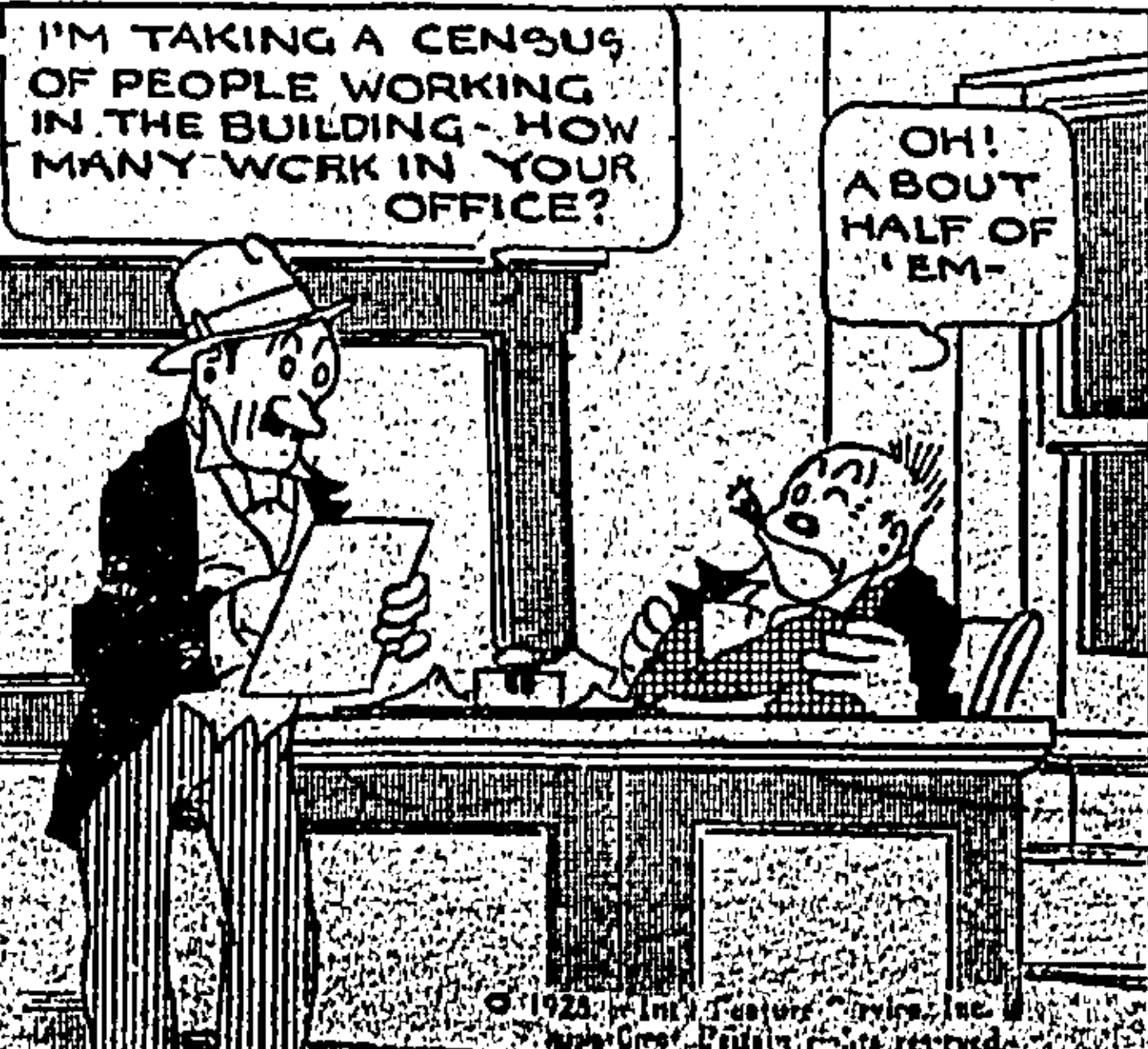
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"SOMEWHERE" 40 YEARS AGO.

AN ANNUAL BALL.

Forty years ago a ball was given at a certain Government House. Such balls had been for years of annual occurrence; but on this particular occasion I was in charge of the proceedings and felt my responsibility. I was at ease about my floor; I was at ease about my supper; but, having tested the highest musical talent of the town, I was not at ease about my band. However, every one told me that old Jimmy Bickerson had played at Government House balls for years, so I went down to seek this great man in his office. He was not in, but his premises were open, and I found them to consist of a small brass plate, inscribed with the words: "James Bickerson, Commissioner Agent," at the door of a minute room, which contained nothing but a tiny rickety table, one infirm kitchen chair, and a discarded brass plate bearing the legend "James Bickerson, Professor of Music." This was not reassuring. Mr. Bickerson had evidently failed in the musical line, and had fallen back on commission agency, which signified that he was ready to undertake anything for anybody, from fetching a drink at the nearest bar to raising a loan of a million. It is the last refuge of the hopeless failure, for it needs no stock-in-trade but a brass plate.

Nor was I encouraged when Mr. Bickerson called upon me—after dark, as I was careful to notice. He was a little round man with a round bald head, round red nose, round weak chin, short round arms and legs, a very round stomach, puffy, shabby, shaky-handed, would-be-jammy. There could be no doubt what his failing was; but I lay at his mercy. After trying the feeble bluff of producing the prospectus of a "wild cat" goldmine, he condescended to the business in hand and undertook to produce a band, presided over by himself at the piano. Wondering if they were all to be such as he, I asked him to bring them to me a day or two later, which he faithfully did. The first was a short, well-set-up, grey moustached man, of such bearing that I asked at once: "What regiment?" "Fifty-seventh, Old Die-Hards," he answered proudly, drawing himself up, and saluting, as was the rule in his day, with the palm of his hand parallel to the

ground. Then it was explained that he had been a bandman and played the cornet, but that having lost his natural front teeth and replaced them by art, he was liable from time to time to blow his false incisors into the mouthpiece of his instrument and reduce it temporarily to silence. This was certainly a drawback, but I found myself constrained to overlook it, for this veteran bandman was already Mr. Bickerson's second string. His first—a clarinet player—had, as he informed me, embraced the profession of a preacher, in preparation for the political career. (I knew this individual later as a Cabinet Minister).

The next player was a violinist, a dour, ragged-bearded, purple-faced Scot, who gave me to understand that he disapproved of all Governors and Government Houses, that he held them and their staff in unspicable contempt, that Scotland was the only country in the world, but that even Scotland was unworthy of her greatest sons. His discourse being strongly perfumed with his native whisky, his opinions became intelligible; but he was said to be a decent fiddler, and there was no other to be found. The last was a double-bass. He was in the joinery line and, so Mr. Bickerson assured me, as a coffin-maker had not his peer in the colony. But a glance at his face was enough for me. He was evidently a clean, honest, sober, straightforward, business-like fellow, who could be depended on to mark the first best of the bar with unfailing regularity for any number of hours. To him I pinned my faith and nervously hoped that all would be well.

How foolish is the fussiness of youth! When the night of the ball came Mr. Bickerson appeared, looking rather thin and pale, and diffusing an odour of sal volatile. He had borrowed evening clothes from a larger man than himself, who had carried to excess the colonial habit of striking matches on the seat of his trousers. Turning up the superfluous length of his sleeves, Mr. Bickerson sat down to the piano and hammered away heroically. The guests, as always in the colonies, were mad about dancing, and their enthusiasm infected the band. Those were the days of melodious waltzes, polkas, and galops, and the evening went merrily. When the time came to refresh the band, I revoked a previous edict and allowed them a small ration of whisky with their ginger ale. They returned to their task like giants, and, when the final riotous galop came, they with one

mind gradually quickened the time to presto furioso. The old bandman blew his teeth so firmly into his mouthpiece that he had to pick them out with a pocket-knife; the violinist sawed away with such energy that he snapped a string; but Bickerson, though missing half of his notes, carried on gallantly with the double-bass until the others had recovered themselves, when the cornet closed the dance with a prolonged blare, and all four sank back exhausted. I revived them by giving their leader his cheque there and then.

Going out on the following afternoon I came upon a small procession, which proved to be the friends of Bickerson and of the violinist escorting them home. Both were very drunk. Bickerson had a black eye and was still grasping a lock of hair which he had torn from the violinist's head. I gathered that both had the musician's irritable temperament, and that this was the usual sequel to a birthday ball. I also learned that Bickerson had at one time or another been a commercial clerk, a lawyer's clerk, a book-tout, an insurance tout, a land surveyor, a sub-editor, a music teacher, a church organist, and a pursuer on a small coasting steamer, not to mention participation in one or two gold rushes. But I knew him only as one who could be counted on to find music for a ball, and, as he never failed me, I feel grateful to him. He must have died many years ago, but, though I have no information as to his end, I will be bold to affirm that his estate at his decease consisted of the clothes on his back, a pipe, a pocket-knife, and the rag end of a plug of tobacco, and that against these assets there was at least no such ignoble liability as a washing-bill.—"The Times."

EXTRADITION CASE.

Requisition for the extradition of the two Chinese who are wanted by the Canton authorities for kidnapping and attempted murder in Song Un village, Tungkan district, has arrived in the Colony. The fugitives made another appearance before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, produced a certificate from H.E. the Governor declaring that General Li Chai-sum, whose signature was on the requisition, is the chairman of the Provincial Government of Kwangtung. Hearing of the case was fixed for Thursday next.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	
Shanghai & Swatow	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11	Shantung.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Shantung.	Pres. Van Buren.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13	
Europe via Negapatnam (papers only, London 12th Jan., and parcels 8th Jan.)	Karmala.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Jackson.	
Manila	Pres. Pierce.	
Japan & Shanghai	TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14	D'Artagnan.
Saloon	Sphinx	
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15		
Strails	Fook Sang.	
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16		
Australia & Manila	Tango Maru.	
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17		
Japan & Shanghai	Khyber.	
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19		
Strails	Hakone Maru.	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	
Sam Shui and Wuchow	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10	Kochow 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Soochow 5 p.m.	
Amoy	Tilawa 5 p.m.	
Pakhoi and Haiphong	Limchow 5 p.m.	
Hoihow	Geistan 5 p.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th Mar. G.P.O.—Registration 11th Feb. 2.45 a.m. Letters 6.00 a.m. K.P.O.—Registration 4.30 p.m. Letters 11th Feb. 9 a.m.	Kamo Maru.	
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11		
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Yuan Jang 10 a.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 6th Mar. & Europe via Siberia. Parcels 2.30 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Teau 10.30 a.m.	
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 24th Feb. Parcels 8 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Tonkin 12.30 p.m.	
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12	Yamsang 10.30 a.m.	
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Norviken 2.30 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 6th Mar. & Europe via Siberia. Parcels 2.30 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Prosper 2.30 p.m.	
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13	Pres. Van Buren 5 p.m.	
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Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.	
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15		
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Changto 4.30 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 6th Mar. & Europe via Siberia. Parcels 2.30 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Emp. of Australia 5 p.m.	
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16	Menndo Maru 8.30 a.m.	

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NEW AIRSHIPS.

Launching of R100 And R101.

BEACON FOR USE IN FOG.

Secretary Of State On Croydon System.

London, Yesterday.
The Secretary of State for the Air Ministry (Sir Samuel Hoare) was asked whether he could give definite dates for launching the airships R100 and R101. He said that he hoped both these airships would be flying before the end of the year. R100 would be flying before the end of summer.
Replying to another question, Sir Samuel said that experiments in the United States with neon gas beacon for the purpose of emitting rays which penetrate fog, for guidance of aircraft, were being closely watched by the Air Ministry. Neon beacon was, in fact, in regular use as part of the landing system at Croydon. It was installed as long ago as 1924 and was the first beacon of its kind to be used for aviation—British Wireless Service.

3 MONTHS' TIME.

Trans-Atlantic Airship Scheme.

Washington, Yesterday.
Mr. Hoover announced that the United States Government has approved of the trans-Atlantic airship scheme with American co-operation, to begin with the first trial trip probably in about three months' time.—Reuter's American Service.

OUR RHINE FORCE.

TROOP EVACUATION WILL BE WELCOME.

BOUND BY VERSAILLES.

London, Yesterday.
A question was asked in the House of Commons whether in view of the fact that the Franco-German frontier had been guaranteed by the Locarno Treaty, the British Government would consider the evacuation of British troops from Rhineland. The Government spokesman replied: "There has been no question of isolated withdrawal of British troops which would not, in my opinion, be to anyone's advantage in present circumstances. General evacuation of Rhineland before the period laid down in the Treaty of Versailles can only be the result of an arrangement between the Powers whose troops are affected on the one hand and the German Government on the other. If such an arrangement be possible it will be very welcome to the British Government. In this connection, I would refer to speeches regarding conditions on which anticipated evacuation might take place, which were recently delivered by French and German Foreign Ministers before the French Senate and the Reichstag, respectively.—British Wireless Service.

CASINO IN ITALY.

MUSSOLINI SPEAKS ON REASONS.

"LET THEM LOSE . . ."

Rome, Yesterday.
For "important political and economic reasons," public gaming tables have now for the first time been officially allowed in Italy. Signor Mussolini, sanctioning the casino at San Remo, says that if Italians must gamble, let them lose money at home.
The casino is run by a 22,000,000 company which will pay San Remo nearly £250,000 annually.—Reuter.

FINANCIAL POLICY.

FRENCH CHAMBER'S VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.

Paris, Yesterday.
The Chamber passed a vote of confidence in the French Government by 370 votes to 120, at the conclusion of the debate on financial policy.—Reuter.

CANADA'S GOODWILL.

Ottawa, Yesterday.
Mr. Kellogg has departed for Washington, conveying from the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. King, on behalf of Canada, a letter of goodwill to the President of the United States.—Reuter.

FACES "SOUND."

Transmitted From U.S. To London.

TELEVISION TESTS.

Movements Directed With Aid Of Loud Speaker.

London, Yesterday.
The pale picture of a face as though printed on cloth fluttering in the breeze was projected on the wall of the London headquarters of the Baird Television Co. This "pilot image," merely a dummy head turned into sound waves was sent droning like a bee over the Atlantic Ocean and re-transformed into vision seen by a group of people in a darkened basement in Hartsdale, New York.

Mysterious Directions.
The latter, after tuning-in, on the receiving apparatus, with the aid of the transmitted dummy, then watched the movements of human heads.

First, Mr. Baird himself appeared in a room flooded with light and faced a small, square window apparently covered with a thin curtain agitated by a violent wind, turned his head left and right, and advanced and retreated in obedience to mysterious directions uttered on the loud-speaker.

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OVER HALF AN HOUR.

What Watchers in New York Saw.

Hartsdale (N.Y.), Yesterday.
The movement of two people in the London laboratory were watched for over half an hour. The images were crude and broken but nevertheless plainly visible. "Vision sound" transmitted short-wave wireless, sets buzzing an irregular cadence representing in sound, lights and shadows of faces.—Reuter's American Service.

MR. BAIRD.

Began With "A Sort of Scratching."

The first television test by Mr. Baird between Britain and America was in April last when, by means of his specially evolved apparatus in a London laboratory, Mr. Baird sent the "sound" of his face—which he stated became a "fluctuating electrical current"—to New York where it was picked up by a listener-in who heard "a sort of scratching."

After this experiment, Mr. Baird announced that he intended going to America with a receiving machine capable of turning the face "sound" into the face itself. Subsequently, a further milestone to television was passed with the registration by Mr. Baird of the Television Co., Ltd., with a nominal capital of £125,000.

MAGIC WAND.

Television Wonders of the Future.

Schenectady, Jan. 13.
The magic wand of science, passing over the factory of the General Electric Co. here to-day, disclosed to a small group of radio engineers, scientists and newspapermen a vision of the future of radio, broadcasting—a future designed to bring to broadcast fans the sight as well as the sound of the radio performers.

Sitting in comfortable chairs in three Schenectady homes, several miles from the company's broadcasting studio, the listeners were enabled both to see and hear the studio programme.

Minute reproduction of simple twists of the face can be home television sets brought to those men the minute reproduction of the characters who appear before the microphone, even to the curl of cigarette smoke from their lips and the blinking of their eyes.

The sound of their voices was heard through the way of the microphone, and the sight of their faces was seen through the eyes of the camera.

WORK FOR H. K.?

Tenders For the Base at Singapore.

A £4,000,000 JOB.

Dominions To Bear Part Of Charge.

London, Yesterday.
The "Evening News" says that the Government has invited several well-known British firms to tender by the end of March for work connected with the Singapore base, costing approximately £4,000,000, consisting of extensive reclamation and the construction of a wet and dry dock.

The work is to be spread over seven years, primarily in order to reduce the annual charge on the dock, a part of which is to be borne by the Dominions. The charge falling into the Imperial exchequer is not expected to exceed £300,000 annually.

Armaments and workshops form a separate contract which will not be arranged until the present work is well in hand.—Reuter.

[The "China Mail" states on best authority that extensive inquiries were made in Hong Kong recently, both for labour and supplies, in connection with these tenders.]

SPIES FOR VOTES!

UNIFYING SPECTACLE IN JAPAN.

NEAR-ELECTION TACTICS.

Tokyo, To-day.
Japan continues to be absorbed in the General Election campaign. Gramophone records and speeches of the Premier have been distributed all over the country by the Government Party.

The Minister of Railways has gone one better. He had himself cinematographed in the act of making a speech, a gramophone record synchronizing the words and actions.

The Opposition Party has appointed vigilance committees to watch and report irregularities by the Government Party. The latter retaliated by having the Opposition members spied on and reported on with the result of an unifying spectacle of political espionage and counter-espionage on an extensive scale engendering much mutual ill-feeling.—Reuter.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

HISTORIC GATHERING OF WOMEN.

THE AGE OF CONSENT.

New Delhi, Yesterday.
Three hundred Indian women delegates to the all-India Women's Educational Conference, the largest number of Indian women ever in the galleries of the Chamber, heard the proceedings of the Assembly on a private Indian member's bill raising the age of consent of girls to sixteen and fourteen years in the case of unmarried and married, respectively, instead of fourteen and thirteen at present.

It was announced that the Government must oppose the Bill and must deal cautiously with the problem. It was decided to appoint a committee composed of officials and non-officials to investigate the problem and also the question of child marriages.—Reuter.

NO DISCRIMINATION.

Indian Forces and Racial Distinction.

New Delhi, Yesterday.
The Council of State has passed two Bills carrying out the recommendations of the Auxiliary and Military Forces Committee, removing all existing discriminations against the forces on racial grounds.

TEAPOT DOME.

MR. JOHN ROCKEFELLER, JR. TO HELP?

Washington, Yesterday.
The question of whether Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., has been asked to help before the Senate Committee on the Teapot Dome scandal has been asked.

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